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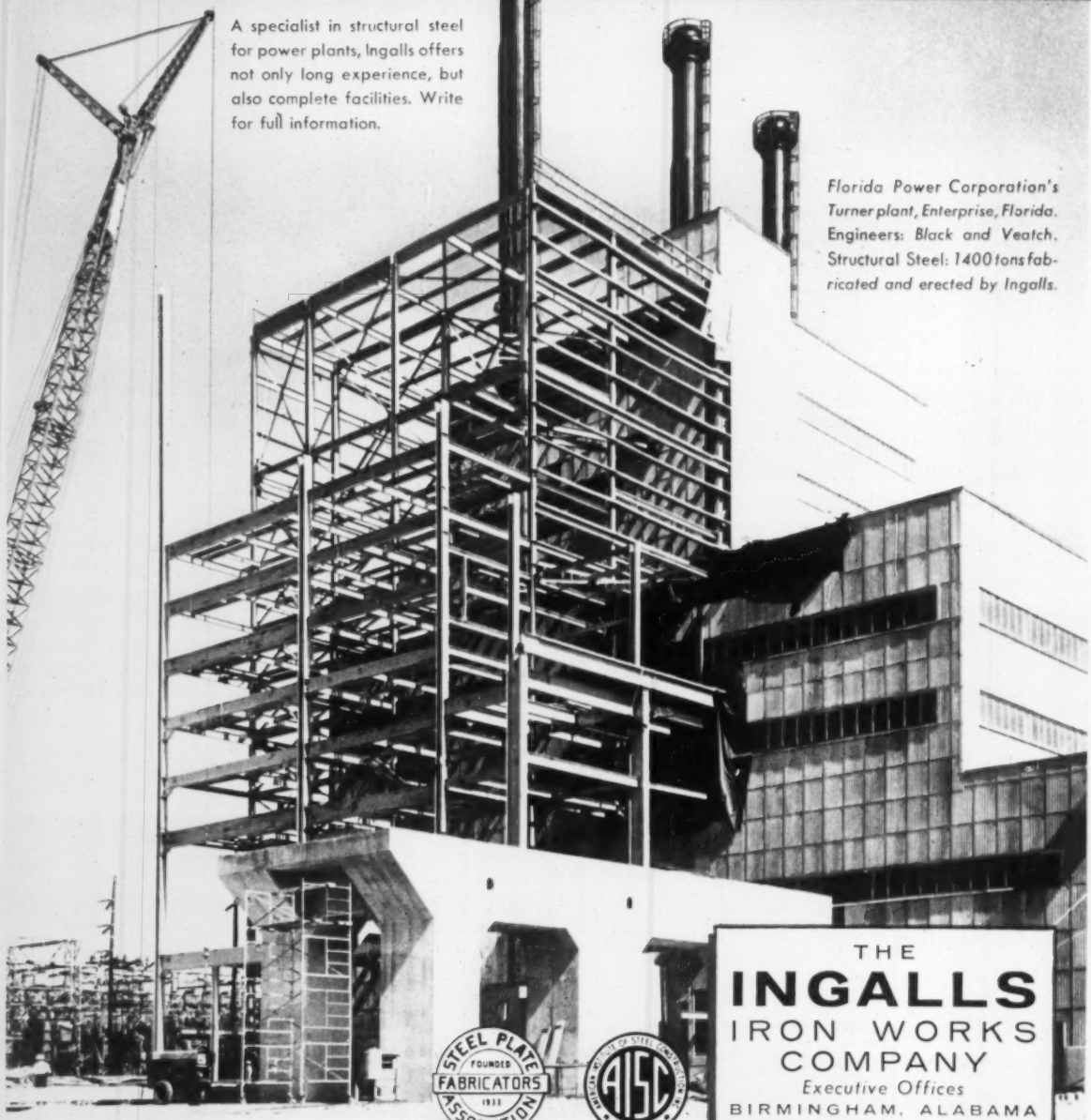

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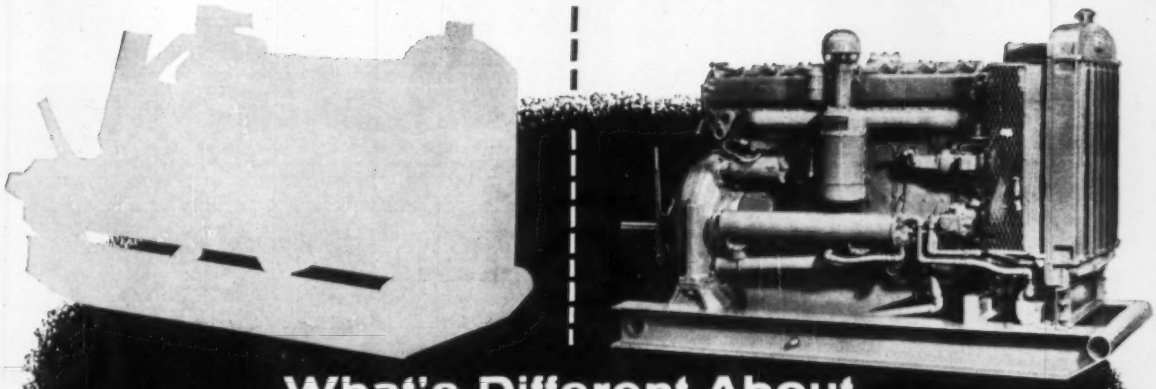

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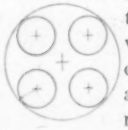

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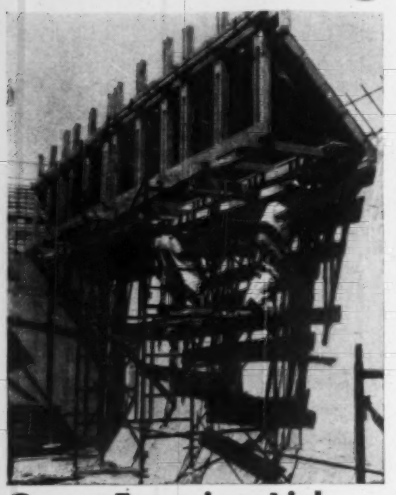

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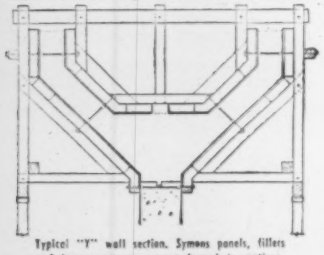

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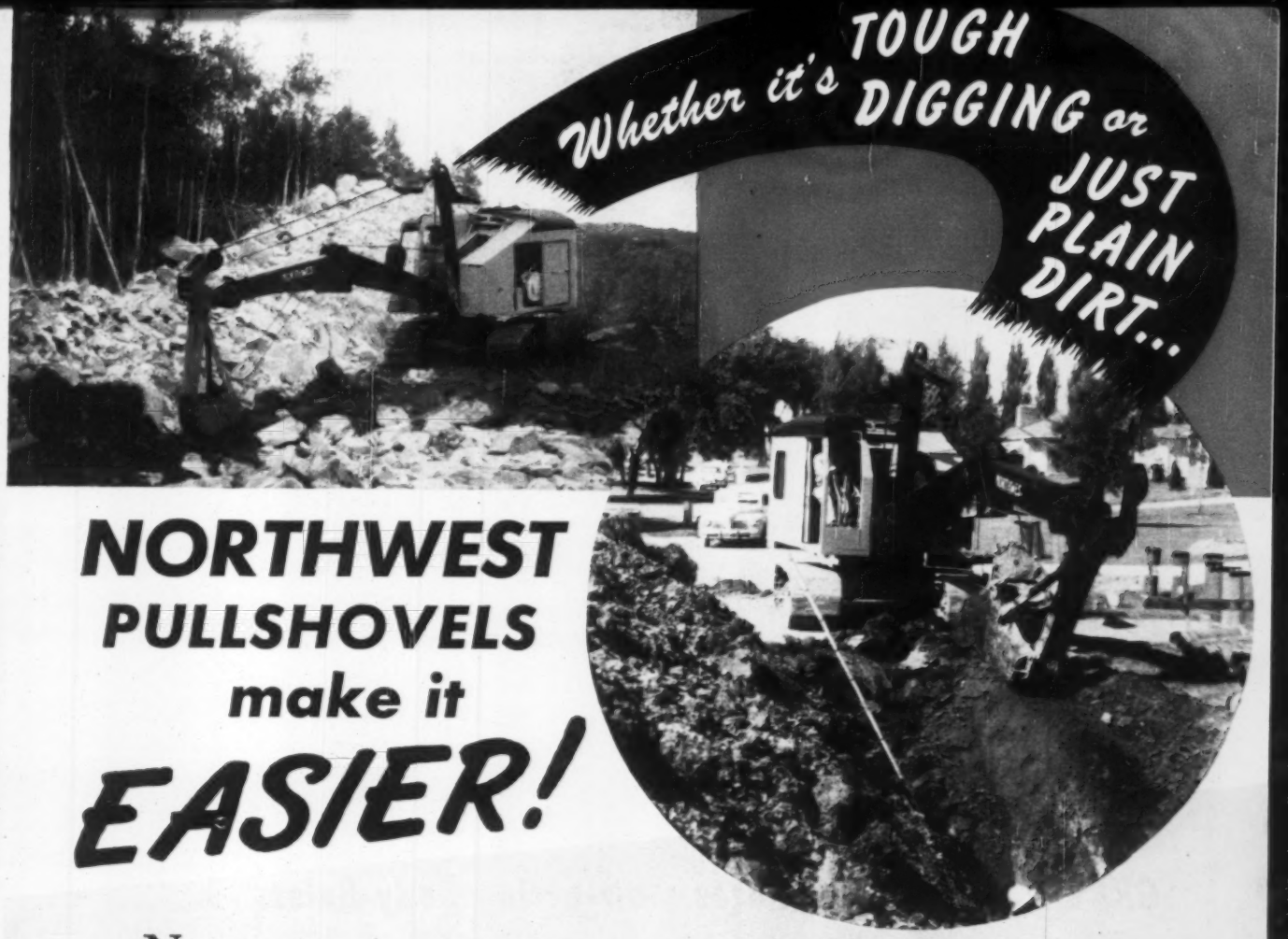

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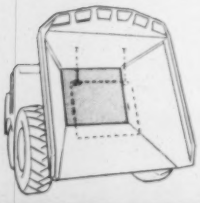
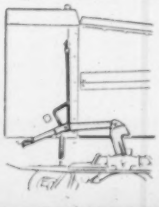


Body latch for gravity-dump is simple and trouble-free. It's engaged by a single hook mounted on chassis. Handy dump lever is inside cab.



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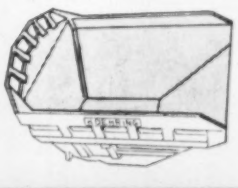

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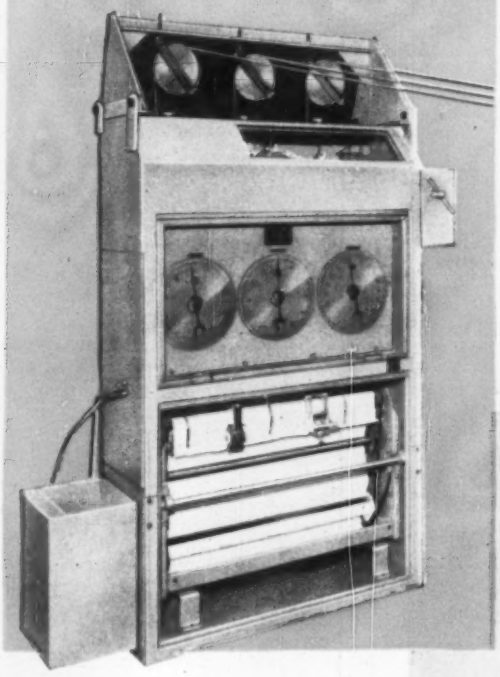

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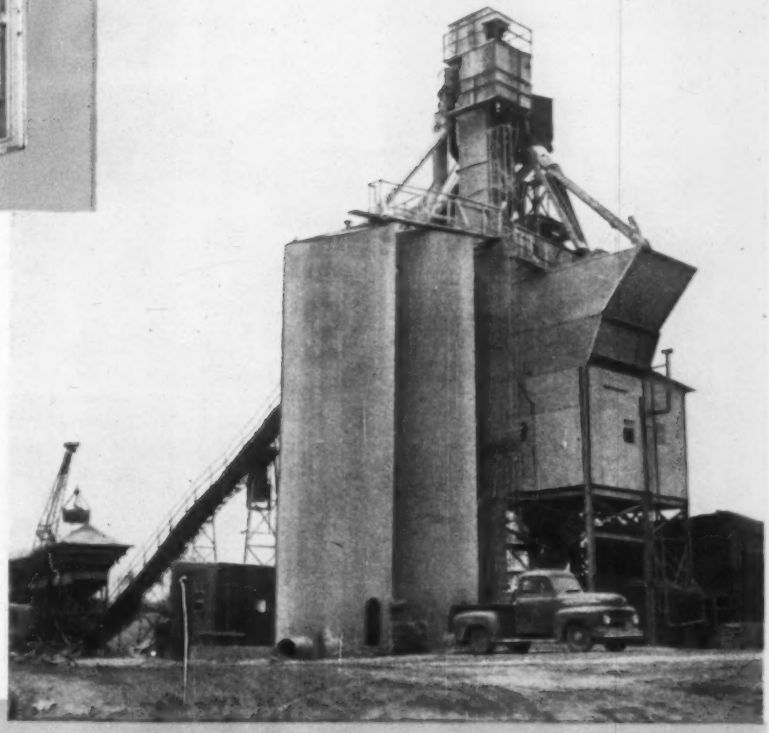

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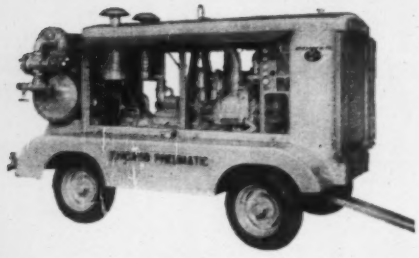

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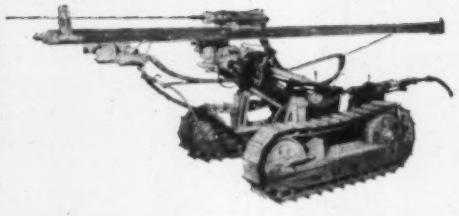

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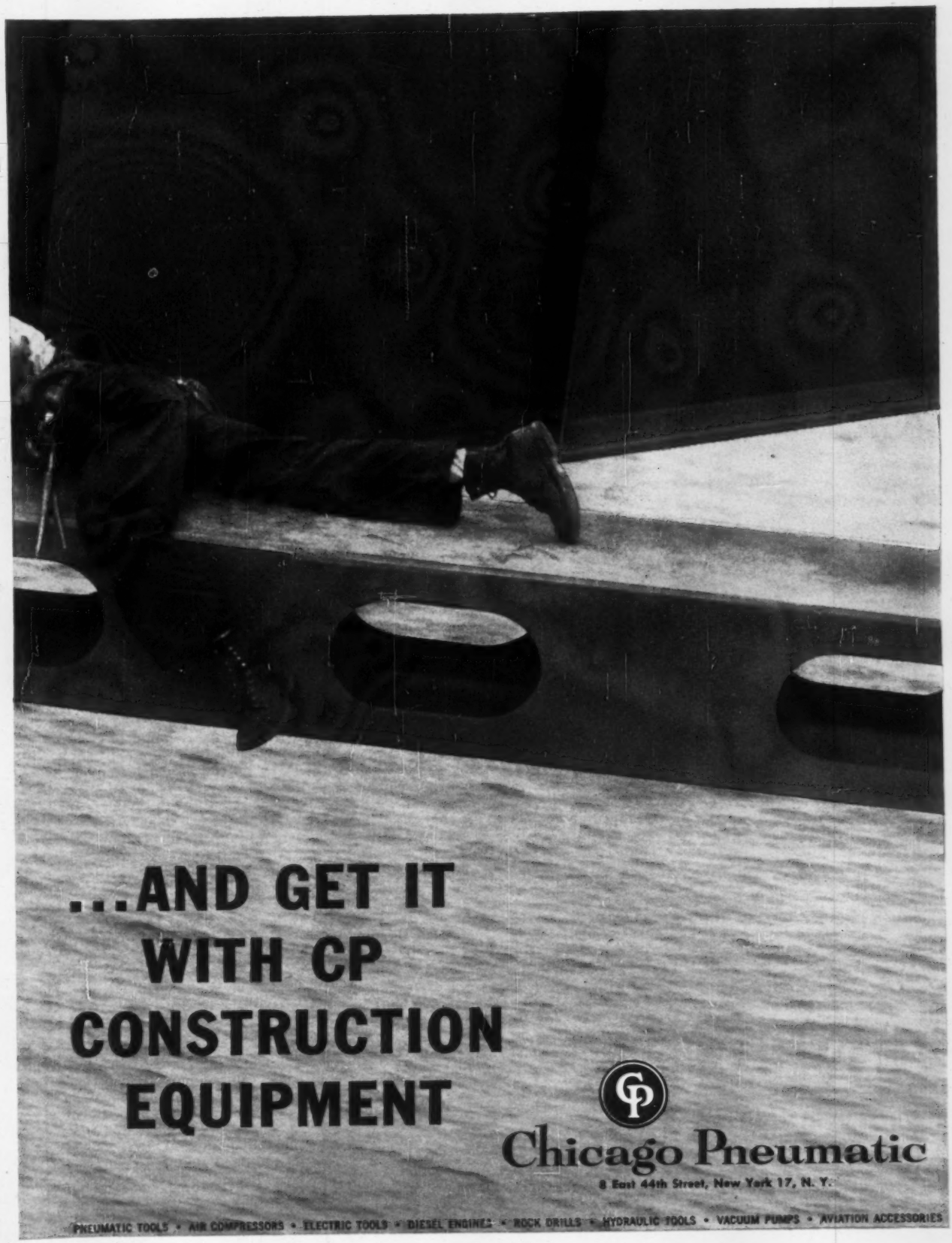
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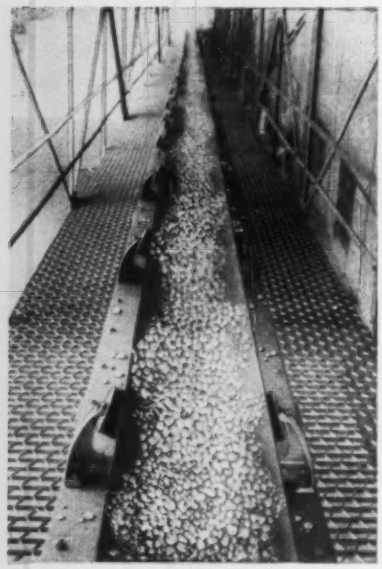

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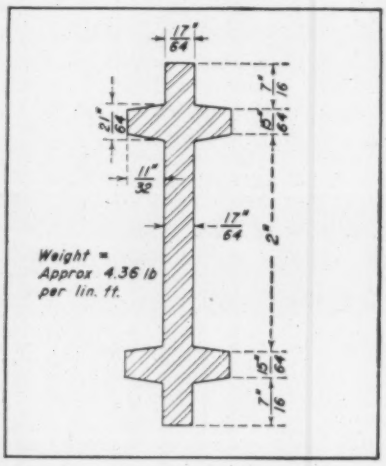
Reader Comment

Latest Style In 19th Century Reinforcing

SIR—An odd-shaped reinforcing bar, uncovered during demolition of an old California county courthouse, was described in Mr I. N. Brotherton's letter and sketch (ENR May 8, p. 10). The unidentified detail shows a part of what was known as the Columbian System of Reinforcing (see sketch).



In the period 1900 to 1910 there were many patented types of reinforcing, including the Kahn, the Hennibeque and the Columbian systems. All the systems can be found in old handbooks of that period.

Here at the Naval Academy the original portion of Bancroft Hall (the midshipmen's dormitory and living quarters and one of the largest buildings in the world) and Halligan Hall, a shops and office building, were constructed using the same Columbian System of reinforcing and concrete construction noted in the aforesaid letter.

While this system of reinforcing would hardly pass a modern building code, static load tests show a surprising strength for this type of framing with less deflection and greater ultimate strength than would be expected from the most rigorous theoretical structural analysis.

PAUL J. WIEGARD
District Public Works Office
U. S. Naval Academy
Annapolis, Md.

SIR—A check of an old Carnegie Steel Co. book of shapes, dated 1903, indicates that the steel section found in the old California county courthouse is a hanger bar (M935).

I inherited the book of shapes from my grandfather, the late Alexander Sussman, for many years a steel fabricator in New York City.

HOWARD LIEBERMAN
Structural Engineer
Parsons, Brinkerhoff, Hall & Macdonald
New York 6, N. Y.

SIR—In reply to Mr. Brotherton's query, the odd shaped rebar is from the now extinct "Columbian Floor System". In the late 1800's it was the latest thought insofar as reinforcing was concerned.

T. C. WHALEN
Professional Engineer
Pottstown, Pa.

More About Prestressing

SIR—A reply is demanded by certain points of a letter (ENR, Jan. 16, p. 11) which challenged the future of prestressing concrete.

Hundreds of unusual and difficult projects in prestressed concrete have been designed and built with complete success throughout the world, many under extremely trying conditions. The collapse of one school roof (ENR Oct. 18, 1956, p. 27 and July 11, 1957, p. 28) certainly provides no reason to fear this valuable method of construction any more than the failures experienced with conventional construction justify the fear of reinforced concrete and steel as inadequate building material. The gain in economy for a wide variety of structural situations is no longer a matter of advertising but a thoroughly established fact which an innumerable number of satisfied clients are in a position to confirm.

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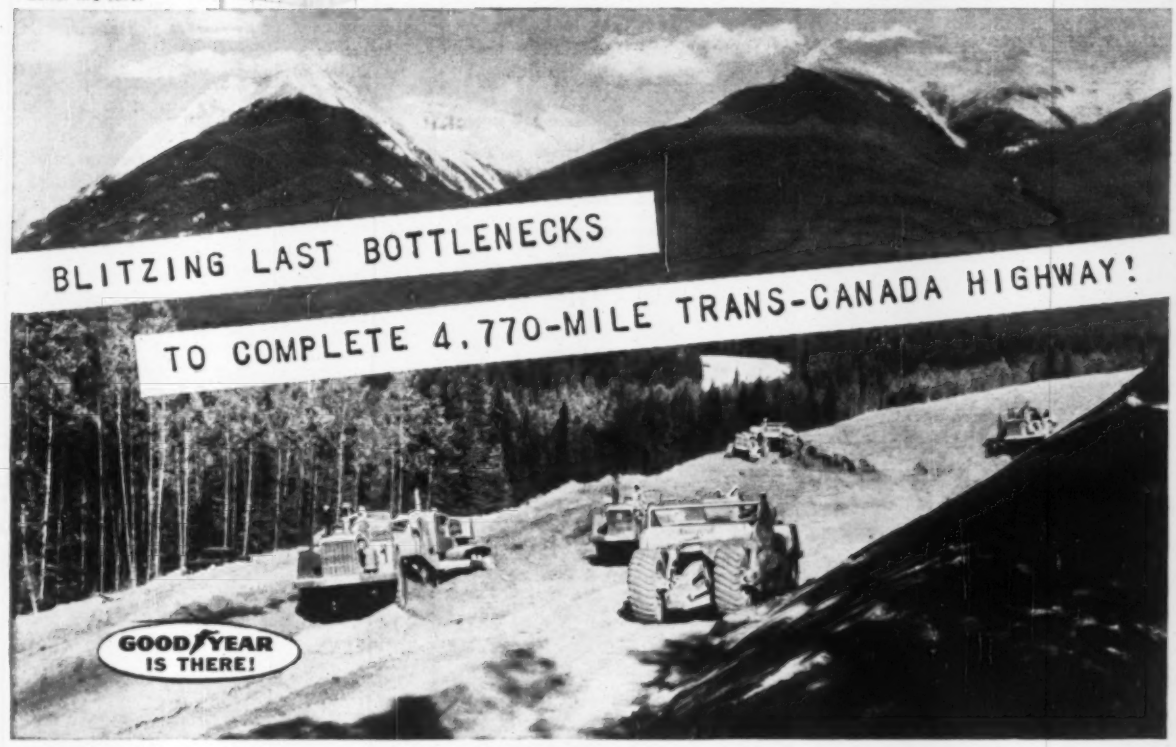

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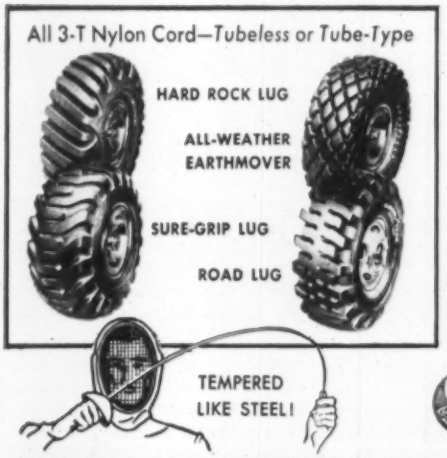

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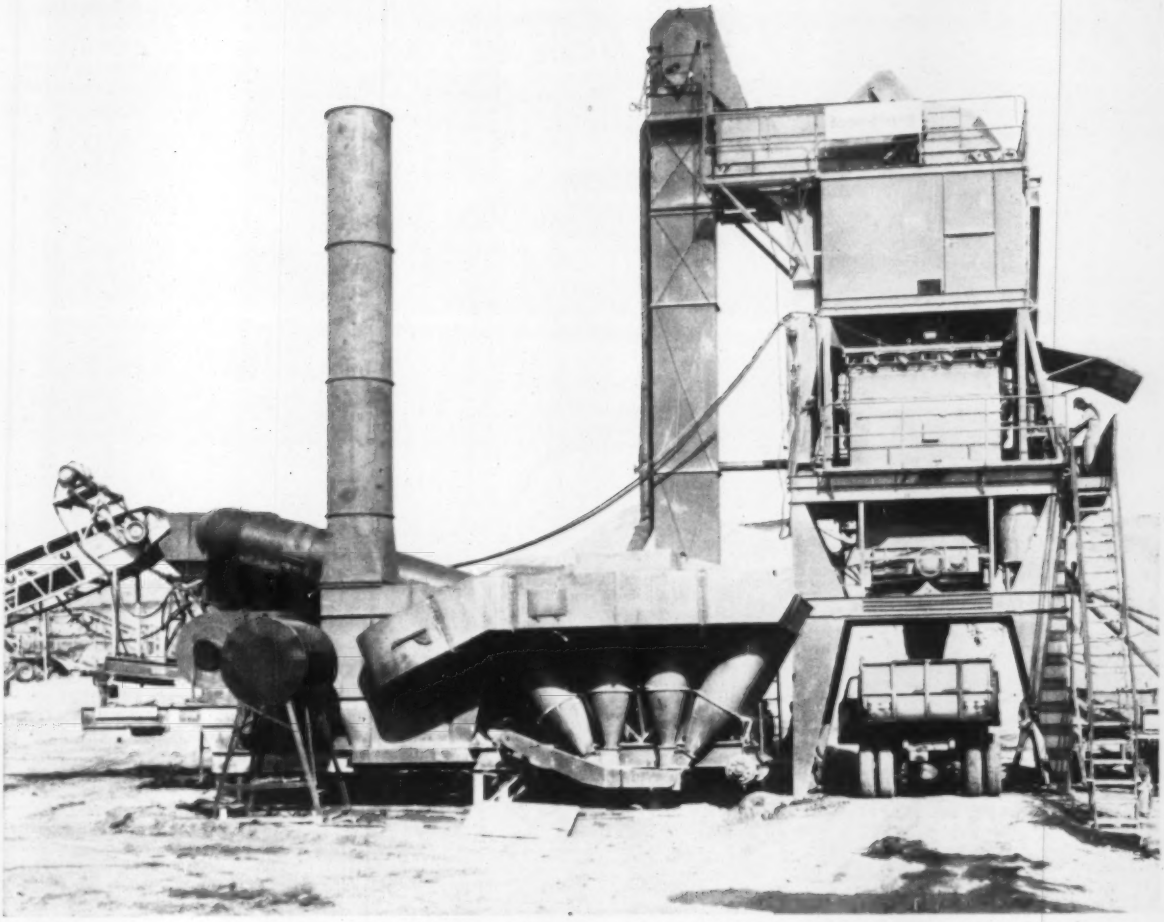
Flood Flow Formula

Sir—Your interesting article, "State Pioneers Flood Plain Zoning" (ENR May 22, p. 45), gives a flood flow formula that is new to me, although I have been interested in stream flow statistics since 1903.

Flood formulas in those days were complicated, involving coefficients with wide ranges, leaving a young engineer with the feeling that he might as well guess at the total flow instead of the coefficients. Designing the culverts for the open cut portions of the Catskill Aqueduct gave further experience, though it must be admitted that Chief Engineer J. Waldo Smith solved some of the difficulties by laying down the rule that no culvert should be smaller than 3 x 3 ft in section, to allow easy inspection.

As more actual flood flow records become available, it was evident that many of the early formulas were inadequate, particularly for small drainage areas. However, a formula proposed about 1879 by E. T. D. Meyers and somewhat revised and simplified by Clarence S. Jarvis (Trans. ASCE 1926, Vol. 89, p. 994) has been found very useful.

This empirical formula is: Multiply 10,000 by the square root of the drainage area in square miles and then multiply by a fractional coefficient varying from 0.1 to 1.0, depending on the character of the watershed. The result will



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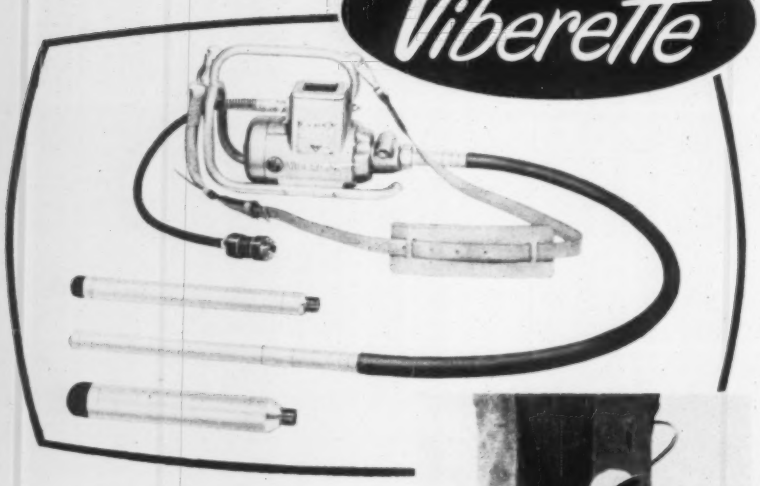

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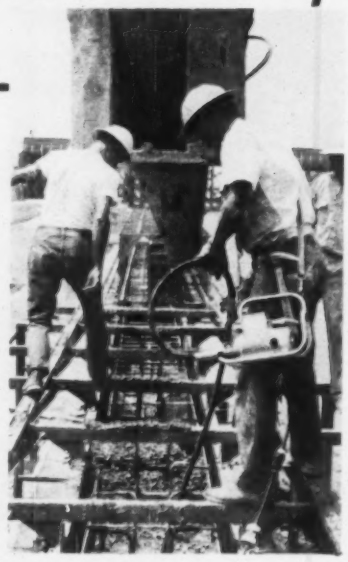

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approximate the maximum flood flow in cu ft per second that may be expected to occur. This, divided by the square miles of drainage area, will give the unit flow per square mile.

It can be readily seen that the maximum coefficient of 1.0 applies to mountainous areas and relatively impervious slopes, while the small coefficient applies to flat areas with porous soil, in latitudes where little or no freezing occurs.

The Bigwood-Thomas formula is no doubt useful in situations like that in Connecticut, where extensive surveys can be made of the drainage areas. But where detailed surveys are not available, it is believed the simpler Jarvis-Myers formula is preferable. In addition, it gives an approximation of what may happen most any time, while the Bigwood-Thomas formula involves choosing a recurrence interval to be designed for. It must be remembered that in assuming a recurrence interval, there is no assurance that the design flood, and even one that exceeds it, won't occur within a short time.

F. B. Marsh
White Plains, N. Y.

Editor's Note: Some readers asked about the units in the Bigwood-Thomas formula, which were not given in the article. The formula is $Q = RC_nAS$, where Q is the design flood in cu ft per second, R is the number of times the mean annual flood to be designed for (dimensionless), C_n is a coefficient based on channel storage characteristics, A is area contributing to the design flood in square mile, and S is the average of the main channel slope and the average tributary channel slope in ft per mile.

Big Difference

Editor's Note: The tabulation of ENR Heavy Construction Contracts by State on page 60 of the February 13, 1958, Annual Review and Forecast Issue of ENR contains a typographical error: Utah's total for 1937 is $8,162,000, not $88,162,000 as published.

CALENDAR

American Institute of Architects, annual convention, Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio, July 7-11.

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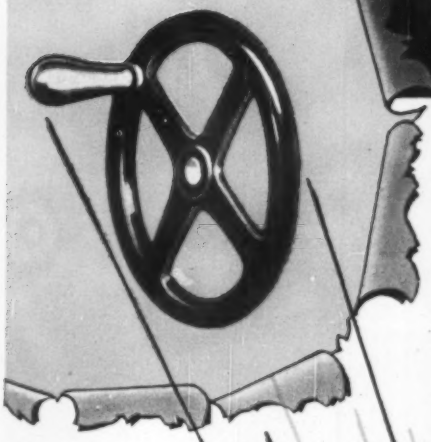

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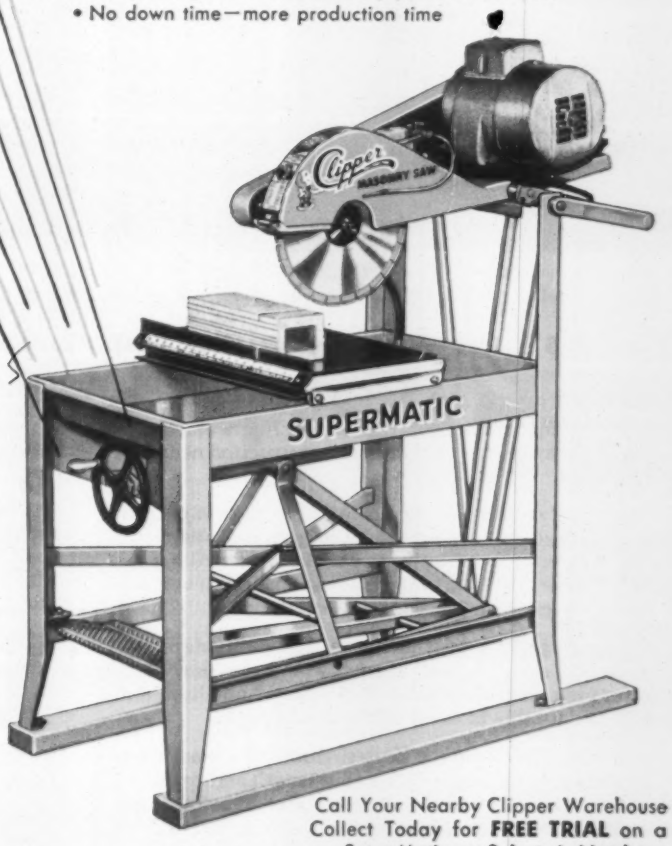

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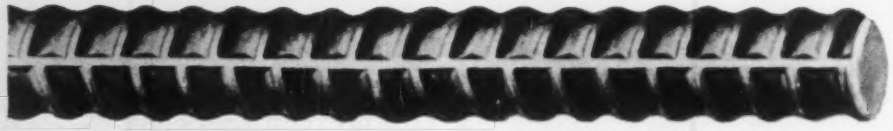

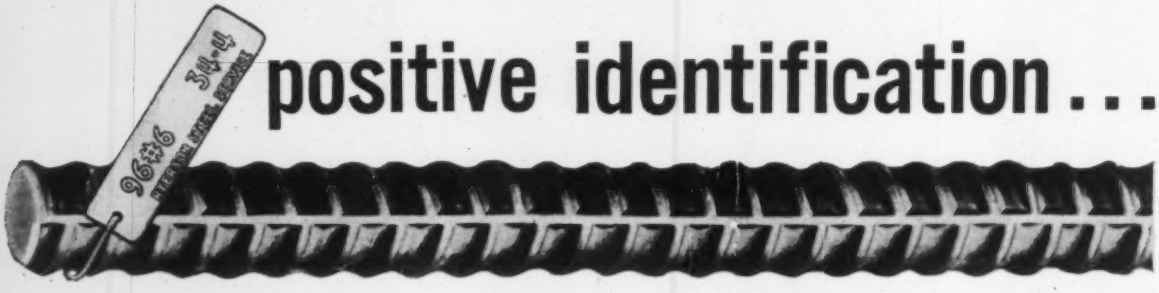

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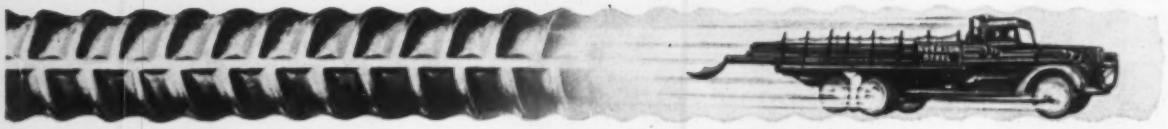

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THE CONSTRUCTION WEEK

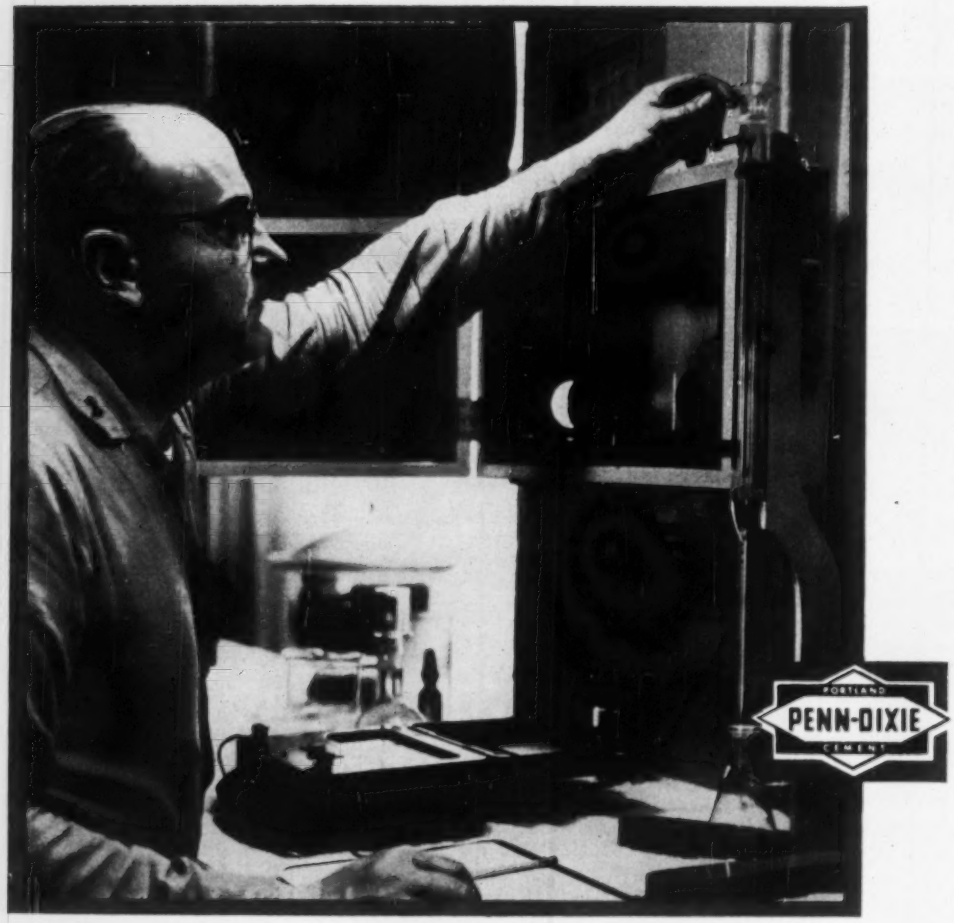
AHEAD BY A NOSE—Construction put in place in the first half of this year is valued at $22,066 million, according to a joint estimate of U. S. Departments of Labor and Commerce. It barely topped last year and set a new record in dollar volume. But physical volume of new construction put in place will probably end up short of 1957 when allowance is made for cost hikes (see p. 117). Private construction volume slipped 1% below last year's first half, reflecting the 24% drop in industrial building. Public construction offset the private drop with a 3% gain in the first half.

STATE IS NOT IMMUNE—A highway contractor who is held up in starting a job because of a delay in the removal of utility installations can sue the state for damages, a Kentucky court rules. Failure to provide a free and unobstructed right-of-way, the court says, is a breach of a binding contract made by the Highway Department and governmental immunity from suit does not apply to such a breach.

MORE PARKING GARAGES WANTED—New ordinances approved by the Chicago City Council are expected to encourage construction of privately owned parking garages in the city. Costly building requirements, such as solid walls and sprinkler systems, will be eliminated by the ordinance changes. City Hall observers say the move was made to spur Chicago Transit Authority plans to build garages near outlying stations. Several "bird cage" type buildings, instead of conventional wall buildings, already have been constructed by the city. Private interests now can build similar structures.

INNOVATIONS AT NIAGARA—While their brethen on the St. Lawrence saw the beginning of the end last week (p. 21), contractors digging in at the Niagara project of the New York State Power Authority could hardly see the beginning of the beginning through the maze of high tension power lines, highways, railroads, factories, houses and underground utilities that criss-cross the site. However, they are doping out a host of new rigs and methods to cope with the unprecedented demands of rockmoving and concrete placement that will follow.

It's a good bet that the next 30 months at Niagara will see line drilling to 110 ft depths; ingenious gantry-mounted line and blast hole drilling rigs; benching of rock in lifts up to 50 ft; traveling forms to support the 4½ ft thick arch roof of the 46 ft wide, 66 ft high cut-and-cover water conduits; the world's largest aggregate plant, at 2,000 tons per hour; and, probably most significant, a large-scale cold weather concreting operation (brought on by the tight construction schedule). Niagara will be quite a show.



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- A green light on defense contracts
- Congress: Adjournment by mid-August seen
- Hospital, science, depressed areas gain
- Drive under way on big housing bill

• **The Pentagon wants military contracting to go ahead on schedule, without waiting for completion of Congressional action** on the defense and military construction appropriations bills.

Defense Secretary Neil McElroy has directed all services (1) to go ahead with construction and procurement projects in a "normal fashion"; and (2) to make awards planned for July even though appropriations mechanics have not been completed. The July contracting rate will be limited, of course, to one-twelfth the amounts approved in the budget.

"This is a clear-cut indication that no cutbacks are in the offing," a Pentagon official says. "We will be grinding out construction awards as fast as we can."

The Pentagon directive came in response to industry complaints that contractors were being hit by stretchouts, postponed contract settlements, and even failure to pay bills on time. Secretary McElroy feels there have been "needless apprehensions." That's why he put the Pentagon policy on paper.

• **Here are the major construction items on Capitol Hill, as Congress heads down the home stretch toward a probable mid-August adjournment:**

Aid for hospital building. The House passed, and sent to the Senate, a three-year extension of $211 million a year in matching grants for nonprofit public hospitals and related facilities. **Prospect: Passage virtually certain.**

Science education. A House committee has okayed an $826.5 million, four-year program for aid in federal scholarships, student loans and programs to stimulate instruction in mathematics, sciences and foreign languages. **Chances for action this session: Fairly good,** but it could lose a race against time when adjournment fever sets in.

Military construction. The House Appropriations Committee is still working on a money bill that probably will wind up carrying about $1.5 billion in funds for construction of missile launching bases, radar sites and airbases.

Depressed areas. A House committee has approved a bill—similar to one already passed by the Senate—for $275 million ($75 million in grants, $200 million in loans) to assist chronically depressed industrial and rural areas (see p. 116). There will be a lot of construction stemming from the program, which probably will pass Congress. **Caution: Presidential veto possible.**

Sewage grants. Democrats are pushing an increased program of federal grants—up from $50 million a year to $100 million, and increasing the size of grants to municipalities from $250,000 to $500,000. They expect Congressional approval; but **President Eisenhower may veto.**

Housing. The House Banking Committee has started hearings on an omnibus housing bill. The Senate is ready to debate a similar measure, authorizing 35,000 units of public housing (see p. 115), $2 billion for urban renewal (in a six-year span), and such other features as $400 million for college housing loans, $250 million for college classrooms and labs, and $50 million for purchases of cooperative housing mortgages by Federal National Mortgage Association. **Outlook: Some reductions, perhaps sizable, are due before passage.**

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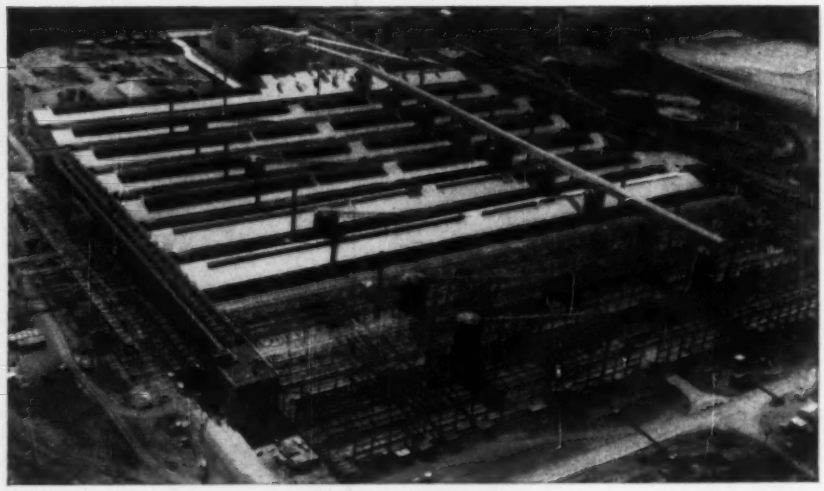

UNIQUE FLOOR SLAB (above) "Double Hourglass" slab roughened for bond to topping is one of many intricate shapes used in Pot Room buildings.

• An unusual feature of the mammoth project for the Reynolds Metals Company, near Muscle Shoals, in northern Alabama, is the unique floor system of the nine Pot Room buildings.

These floors are prestressed concrete units set on precast columns and beams. Some 3,000 of the units are shaped into many complicated designs which made pretensioning a real problem.

The Pot Room buildings house huge reduction pots in which alumina is reduced by electrolysis. Considerable heat is generated by these pots. So to maintain comfortable floor temperatures, nearly 250,000 two-inch-round holes were provided in the prestressed floor slabs through which rapid changes of air are forced.

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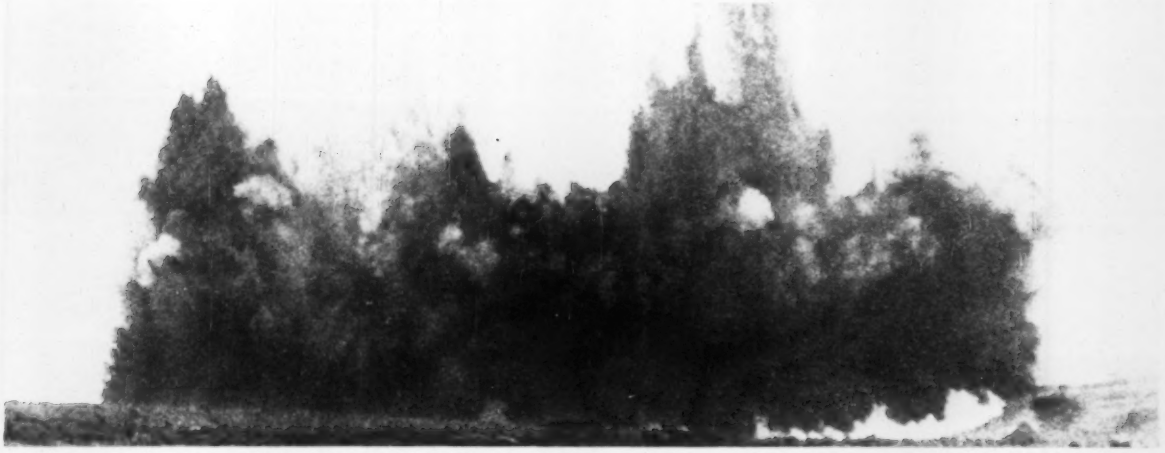


A Big Blast Starts . . .

. . . A Big Rush of Water

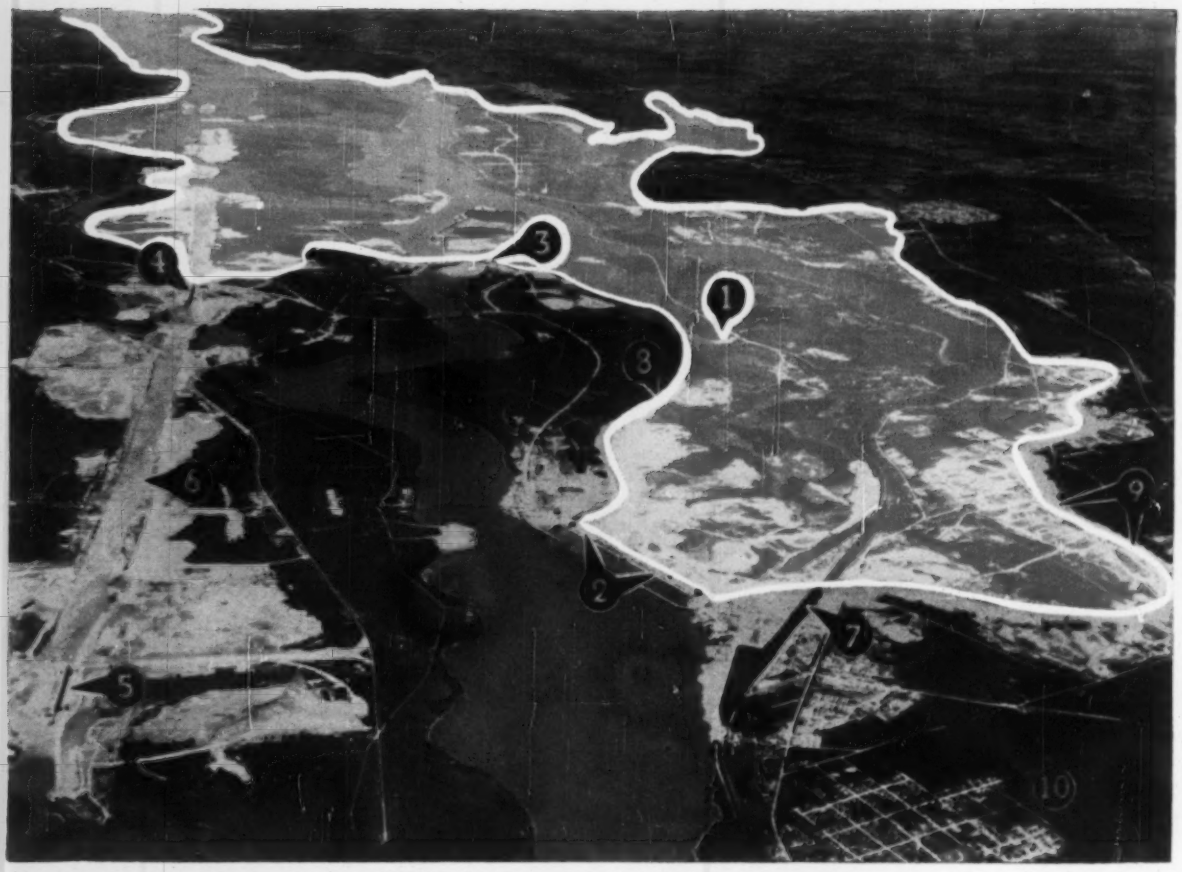
St. Lawrence Job Goes to Work

It was a booming signal of victory—a shot heard 'round the world.

The ceremonious blast piercing the last cofferdam on the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence last week signaled that the Seaway and Power Project there was licked. Not done, just 90% completed, but most certainly licked.

Construction's battle against the elements—earth, water and weather—was won. This biggest blast of the entire job was more a publicist's fitting finale than a necessary step in the river regulation. But it boomed out the word of victory as construction men on both sides of the international project reveled in their job well done. It was July 1 and, in Canada, Dominion Day.

The great four-year river juggling



. . . St. Lawrence power pool fills; locks and dams begin operating

An earth cofferdam (1) was blasted, letting water flow behind St. Lawrence Power Dam (2) as Long Sault Spillway Dam (3) regulated the rising pool. Water in the power pool flooded Eisenhower Lock (4), Snell Lock (5) and the Wiley-Dondero Canal (6), permitting ship passage by the week's end. On the Canadian side, Cornwall Canal (7) was flooded out as the newly formed lact (never less than 240,000 cfs of water "in the air" at once) was over. The majestic St. Lawrence was given three days and three nights to build itself into a 25 mile long lake behind the power and spillway dams.

As it rose to full power-pool size, the newly created Lake St. Lawrence spread to fill the seaway canal and the locks on the New York side. And by Friday there was further official pomp plus revelry as first commercial shipping used two U. S. locks to bypass the dams. That was July 4 and, in the U.S., Independence Day.

• **First completion stage**—The wild waters of the St. Lawrence are tamed. The picturesque rapids that once boiled past Sheek Island have been replaced by the completely controlled turbulence of discharge through gates of Long Sault Spillway Dam. By September, some of this still-wasting horsepower will turn the big "wheels" of the international St. Lawrence Power Dam.

And by this time next year all 16 turbines on each side of the international border will be spinning to create the 32-unit plant's 2.5 million hp capacity from some 80 ft of head.

It will be next year, too, before the full billion-dollar story comes to a close with completion of four locks farther downstream in Canada for final completion of the Seaway. Queen Elizabeth II will be back for that celebration (she saw the work once during construction) and undoubtedly President Eisenhower will officiate with her at the final completion ceremonies.

Last week's festivities were officially the signal that the project between Cornwall and Massena has reached its "first completion stage." Gov. Averill Harriman of New York State, Canadian Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker and Premier Leslie Frost of Ontario officiated as the power pool began to fill on July 1. Robert Moses, as Chairman of the Power Authority of the State of New York, had his counterpart in James S. Duncan, Chairman of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario.

J. Burch McMorran and Otto Holden fired the cofferdam blast. Mr. McMorran is the chief engineer of PASNY; Mr. Holden is chief engineer of Ontario Hydro.

• **A symbolic blast**—The construction history to date of this great international project was symbolized in the historic shot Engineers Holden and McMorran fired on the north channel of the river. As the debris and water shot skyward with the force of 30 tons of explosive, these constructors were gleefully blasting a show of supremacy over the soil and river that for four years made theirs among the toughest of all construction jobs.

Skyward went the boulders and glacial till that had plagued the earthmovers. Skyward went waters of a river whose current, ice and size had taken the best the constructors could offer before finally coming under control.

This project was a match for the best the construction industry had to offer. Unfortunately, it was more than a match for the industry at the prices

bid on the work. The whole four years of concentrated construction—concentrated in time as well as in space—can be looked back on by the major constructors much as committeemen review a big socially successful ball. It was run at an embarrassingly sizable financial loss.

• **Tough from the start**—It began in the summer of 1954 when brave, knowing contractors moved into that fast, furious water to divert its flow with cellular steel cofferdams (and the minor dumped-earth structure that had its crest blasted off last week).

It was even more rugged when winter set in. The contractor on one of these early cofferdams wound up throwing all but the kitchen sink against ice-swollen, record-high water in a physically—but not financially—successful operation. Another contractor beat and battered a 60-cell-long cofferdam across calmer waters downstream, where the power dam would be.

And as the river diversion drama began to unfold, the earthmovers were arriving in the meadows of St. Lawrence County dairy country and beginning to taste the 210 million cu yd of dense and treacherous earth they would eventually move. A 14 cu yd dragline came up from the coal country of Kentucky and shovels and scrapers began biting into the Seaway's channel. Valiant and losing battles were waged in the war against blue marine clay and heavy glacial till. But the war, eventually, was won.

• **Takes shape**—As the sprawling big project for Seaway and power wound up its first full year, the problems were clear-cut, but unsolved: How to move that earth for contracted prices; how to manipulate the river.

And as the work went into its second winter basic differences between U. S. and Canadian thinking on construction became evident: U. S. dambuilders made concreting an eight-month job, cutting activity in winter; Canadians, true to their tradition, enclosed their concrete handling and worked in steam heat all winter.

The second spring (1956), and the spring after that, saw the Canadian contractor ahead on his half of the international power dam. But each year from April 1 to about December 1, the concrete would "fly" from the bigger plant on the U. S. shores. Concrete plants fed up to 8,000 cu yd per day to the four major power structures (the Power Dam, Long Sault Spillway Dam, Iroquois Control Dam and Massena Intake) on the U. S. side.

The cruel schedule did push U. S. constructors into winter concreting. They did much structural work on the powerhouse, plus paving Barnhart Island Bridge. And at Iroquois Control Dam, in the 1955-56 winter, paperboard and canvas covers went over the work, steam was hosed to clear ice off the rock and concrete went into enclosures warmed by big gas-burning heaters.

• **'56 was key year**—The summer of 1956 was the key season: Work was to progress far enough for a major river diversion by fall. It was "like touching a button" that April first; or like signaling a 22,000 man army back to battle against the river.

The big diversion of the river through a man-made cut and through completed gates of the spillway dam was many months late when it finally came off in the spring of 1957. But it was accomplished effectively and caused no overall damage to the schedule. It was the diversion that once and for all shut off the romantic rapids past Sheek Island and dried the northern half of riverbed for second-stage spillway dam construction.

• **The race ends**—In 1957, the final race to catch up to schedules was won. In the U. S., in Canada, in the power work, on the Seaway—the worried looks left the brows of the construction men. The project was in hand. The power dam began to take units; the spillway dam showed remarkable progress; Iroquois Dam, Canada's Iroquois Lock and Massena Intake were virtually done; and the two U. S.-side locks were pushed to the hardware-installation stage.

Clean-up work and mechanical installation went on in the first half of 1958; and as July 1 approached, all was made ready for storage of water. The 60-cell cofferdam came out below the power dam; the gate that would drop to cut off Cornwall Canal on the Canadian side was readied; and at the new Wiley-Dondero Ship Channel on the U. S. side of the border the St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corp. and its construction agent, the Corps of Engineers, prepared for the holiday week's visit of dignitaries from Washington, D. C.

It was a big week for what has been called the construction job of the century. And while much of the remaining force returned to work this week to finish off the project, for many the job was done.

For construction men the final chapters still to be written will be anticlimax. The St. Lawrence job is licked, in so far as work on the International Rapids is concerned.

A billion dollar construction story nears its end.

How ENR Saw Seaway Construction . . .

Here are some—not all—of the ENR stories covering construction of the St. Lawrence Seaway and Power Project:

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Alaska: A Construction Bonanza

Last week's vote to admit Alaska to statehood will bring no overnight miracles. However, statehood will speed its economic growth and the construction industry is slated to play a major role pushing and expanding that growth potential.

More surface transportation is among the major jobs. Lack of adequate facilities is one of the new state's most serious problems. She'll need more highways and more railroad linkage with Canada and the U. S. to realize her dream of swift economic growth.

It is still too early to tell precisely what will happen, much less say when, but a start on more and better highway construction has been made. Under terms of the 1956 Highway Act, Alaska has a special break. The other 48 states get a 90% federal contribution for construction of interstate highways. But as a territory Alaska gets a 90% contribution for both construction and maintenance on her primary and secondary roads. The other states receive only 50% aid for these facilities.

The special road aid for Alaska was voted by Congress in recognition of its unique transportation problem. The Alaskan highway network consists of about 5,000 miles—only 2,000 miles are paved.

Last week, five senators—four of them Westerners—introduced a special $66 million authorization bill for paving 1,200 miles of the wartime-built Alcan Highway. It calls for spending $11 million in each of the next six fiscal years. On the portion of the highway within Canada, the bill would permit expenditure of U. S. money for paving only if Canada pays half the cost.

The U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, which administers the 1956 act, has been serving as the Alaskan highway department. It has a staff of 1,000 and a construction fleet of some 1,500 units there. And for this fiscal year, Alaska's apportionment of federal-aid highway money is about $20 million. Last fiscal year, it was $13.1 million. However, the extraordinary relationship of BPR and Alaska eventually must end, sometime after a full plebiscite ratifies the action of Congress. But last week a bureau spokesman said he had no idea when the break will occur.

Alaska probably also will be the scene for a rebirth of railroad construction. A report on the economic and military feasibility of more rail and highway links between Alaska and Canada and the U. S. is due within the next 18 months. It will come from the Alaskan International Rail and Highway Commission, a new federal government agency. Alaska's principal railroad is U. S. owned and operates over 470 miles of mainline between Seward and Fairbanks, via Anchorage. A second line, the White Pass & Yukon, runs 110 miles of narrow gage track. It was developed by British capital.

Power requirements also will present a huge challenge and promise for the construction industry. The Army Corps of Engineers has mapped a minimum of 91 potential major power sites for possible development.

Thus far, only one federal hydroelectric project has been installed in Alaska. It is the Eklutna plant, near Anchorage, with 30,000 kw of installed capacity. Finished in 1954, it was the work of the Reclamation Bureau and cost over $30 million.

• **More political strength**—When the 86th Congress convenes in January, Alaska will be represented in Washington by two U. S. Senators and one member of the House. They'll have full voting rights and privileges. This will give the new state a lot of leverage immediately for getting public works projects authorized and money appropriated to build them.

Literally hundreds of such projects are conceivable in the Alaskan future. One example, the Bureau of Reclamation in 1954 reported that 12 major dams and 11 power installations might be feasible—pending further study—in southern Alaska on the Susitna River and three tributaries. The Susitna Valley embraces 13 million acres, of which only 5,000 are privately owned. The bureau's four-year-old, and almost forgotten, report foresaw the possibility of developing a million acres of farm and ranch land within the valley.

• **Depends on U. S.**—For all her basic strength, however, Alaska has a weakness. She is presently dependent on federal funds. Best estimates say that income from all of Alaska's private industry currently totals only about $160 million a year. Examination of the federal budget shows her economic dependency, but it does not tell the full story.

Excluding pay for military people and civilian employees of the military, the fiscal 1959 budget for Alaska is about $128 million. Figuring the military payrolls in Alaska is impossible, but about one-fourth of Alaska's 215,000 population are military transients. Some 30,000 are "natives"—Eskimoes, Aleutians and Indians.

• **Where the money goes**—Federal construction work takes a big bite out of the $128 million. Aside from the nearly $20 million apportioned for highway construction and maintenance, some of the major federal projects in the budget include:

• Dredging a deeper channel in Dry Pass (southeastern Alaska) by the Corps of Engineers. It will cost $846,000 to complete in fiscal 1959. Alaskans also are trying to get a start this year for an authorized Corps project to deepen Gastineau Channel, near Juneau.

• Federal aid for airport construction and modernization, $1.3 million.

• Air navigation aids, $11.6 million (division between equipment purchase and installation not specified.)

• Among many Defense Department projects, most of them classified, is at least one missile detection site, estimated to cost more than $30 million.

• Construction of public schools, other public buildings, and street and utility projects, $5.3 million. This is the last installment in a nine year, $70 million aid program. A five year, $30 million extension is being requested.

• A 225-bed central mental hospital in Anchorage, with smaller 30-bed and 20-bed units at Fairbanks and Juneau, $6.5 million.

• **Private potential**—In the private construction field, one of the biggest jobs is now under way—a $55 million paper pulp mill at Sitka. Owned by Alaska Lumber & Pulp Co., it is scheduled to enter production in 1960.

The homebuilding industry in Alaska is difficult to assess. Comprehensive figures are not obtainable. The U. S. Department of Labor, which assembles these official government reports, does not get figures from Alaska. Now that Alaska is due to become a state, the department will start gathering these statistics.

The best measure available now comes from the Federal Housing Administration. The agency's figures show a steady rise. In the 24 years since FHA was established, it has insured mortgages in Alaska for $49 million on 3,342 houses. For rental projects, mortgages of $46 million on 3,852 units have been insured. Of that total, $3.9 million was for 267 homes in 1957. FHA mortgages in Alaska are 50% higher than in the U. S., because of high labor and material costs.

• **Biggest asset**—The area's prime capital asset is land. The U. S. government owns 99% of Alaska's 582,000 square miles. Being turned over to the state immediately will be 182.8 million acres. Alaska undoubtedly will choose millions of them as quickly as possible. But the statehood law allows her up to 50

years in which to make the final choice.

It is on development of this land that Alaska counts for her bright future. The lures are present, if they can be developed. Fishing, worth $93 million in 1956, is still the biggest industry. But Alaskans are doing some economic tub-thumping. They are trying to interest state-wide risk capital from private underwriters in other resources —oil and gas, coal, iron ore, copper, nickel, tin and forest products.

Many an Alaskan will tell you with fervent sincerity that, within a decade, oil and gas will outstrip fishing as Alaska's top industry. Right now, at least 32 million acres are under oil and gas lease.

Truck Terminal Exempted From Town's Zoning Laws

An Ohio court has ruled that a trucking firm has the right to build a terminal in a residential area near Akron, despite zoning laws to the contrary.

Freight, Inc., Akron, Ohio, is legally considered to be a public utility and, as such, is outside the scope of zoning regulations. The court opinion said: "A public utility is one that gives the general public, indiscriminately, a legal right to use its services, and such services cannot be denied or withdrawn at the whim of the owners." The trucking company is a common carrier under Ohio law and meets this test, according to the court.

The company had announced plans for a $1 million office and terminal to be built on a 38 acre farm tract in Northfield Center Township in June 1957. Nearby residents protested the location because it's in a residential zone. The Summit County Common Pleas Court declared Freight, Inc.'s right to build as a public utility. This opinion now has been unanimously upheld by the Ninth District Court of Appeals.

A similar case awaiting the outcome of the Freight, Inc., litigation concerns Richfield Township, also near Akron, where authorities want to keep out a proposed terminal of Bender & Louden, Inc., another Akron trucking firm. The area is zoned for retail business, but not commercial.

Louisville Water Data To Get H-Bomb Shelter

The city-owned Louisville Water Co. will store its critical records in a hydrogen-bombproof vault. This was revealed July 2, when bids for the shelter were opened.

The concrete vault will house and protect maps locating all water mains, valves and underground facilities. Also, microfilmed contracts will be stored in the new shelter.

Take 50 Tons of Steel, Add 25 Lb of Air . . .

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In a switch from the usual fabric enclosure for inflated buildings, the air-supported roof and walls of a new granary in Fort Worth, Tex., are sheet metal. The huge cover is made of 10,000 sq ft of aluminized steel. The structure is 158 ft wide, 550 ft long and 38 ft high. It holds 1.8 million bushels of grain.

Shape is maintained by inside air pressure of 25 to 30 lb per sq ft. Air locks at one end provide entry for people and vehicles.

The steel was delivered to the site as 155 separate sheets. Workmen welded them into a single airtight unit with 335,000 welds. They attached the ends by flexible seals to semicircular metal walls; one side was permanently anchored to the concrete floor slab; the other side was weighted with sand and air was pumped under the sheet through openings in the floor. As the steel balloon swelled, its sand anchor shifted but held the air in. When the structure reached full height, the sand-weighted side was bolted down.

Lee Emmert, of Dallas, was fabricator and erector.

Cargill, Inc., a Minneapolis grain and produce firm, is owner of the new building. The firm also constructed in 1934 what was probably the first full-scale inflated steel building. It was a 50x250 ft structure made of 22 gage sheets. The building was dismantled after one year because suspended grain dust inside was an explosion hazard.

Big Savings Due From Retainage Cut

Chicago City Council last week drastically reduced its retainage requirements for contractors handling municipal construction. Some sources believe the action may save the city more than half a million dollars annually.

For many years the city has deducted 15% of the money due from all progress payments to contractors. The money was held by the city until the work was finished and final payment was made to the contractor.

Under the new law, a maximum of 10% is deducted from payments during the first half of a project only, and the contractor gets back all but 2% of his contract price as soon as he completes the work.

Chicago's new policy is similar to, but even more conservative than, the one successfully followed for years by the Illinois State Highway Department. The department limits retainages to 10% of the first half of a contract. But it also, when the project is complete, pays 90% of the money retained. In addition, highway department field engineers, can include in progress payments, 90% of the value of materials delivered to, but not yet incorporated in, a project.

Contractors have long objected to the old payment policies and even some officials have regarded them as harmful to the best interests of the city. City Purchasing Agent John F. Ward, officially suggested the reduction.

The new law took effect July 2. It calls for 10% of each monthly estimate to be withheld until the first half of the project is completed. No additional money will be withheld during the last half of the job.

On completion of the work--and before computation of the final quantities --the retainage will be reduced to 2% of the total contract. After computation of the final quantities, the 2% still held by the city will be paid.

Thus, whereas formerly a contractor had 15% of his contract's value tied up until final payment, now he has only 5% tied up at the completion of a job and this is immediately cut to 2%.

The reduction in retainage will be given only by Chicago Public Works Department. The Chicago Park District, which withholds a flat 15% from estimates, and the Metropolitan Sanitary District of Greater Chicago, which retains 12½% told ENR they do not expect any changes in their payment policies.

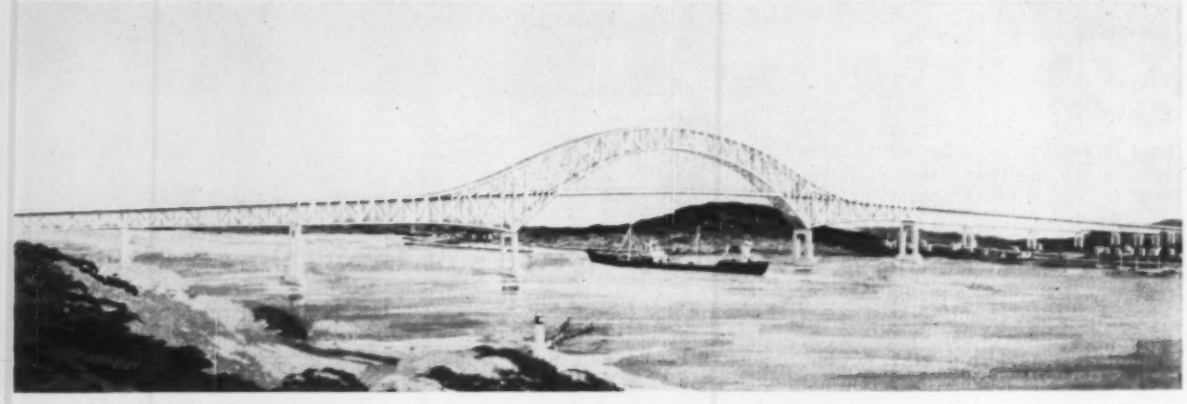
Engineers in the Public Works Department have wanted a reduction in retainage for some time. They are confident it will save the city money without increasing the danger of contractors not finishing their jobs.

"Most jobs that are going 'sour' do so at the outset," says Deputy Purchasing Agent, Richard B. Berry. "The new system still provides for a 10% retainage in case this happens. Then when the job is over the hump, the reserve will remain constant."

From the contractors' standpoint, the new ordinance means they will not have to arrange for as much credit or borrow as much money to finance construction operations. And they can take on more work without increasing their present resources. It is also expected that many contractors, who would not or could not bid in city work, will now take an interest in it because of the new policy.

In any event, city officials are confident the increase in competition and contractor savings that will result from the new plan will mean lower prices for city work.

Just how much will be saved by the city is anybody's guess. Some unofficial estimates put it as high as $500,000 a year. A survey made last year by ENR on how slow payments hurt contractors and push costs up (ENR Oct. 17, 1957, p. 293) indicates that this figure may well be conservative. (See editorial, p. 132.)



$20 Million Bridge to Replace Panama Ferry

The Panama Canal Co. will soon start construction of a $20 million high-level, steel truss, arch bridge (pictured) across the canal at Balboa. It's the result of a 1955 treaty between the U.S. and Panama.

The new structure, will replace a ferry currently in operation. It will clear the channel by 201 ft above mean high water, and will be 6,200 ft long, including approaches. The main part of the structure will be a three span unit 2,240 ft long. The central span will be 1,120 ft long. The side spans will be 560 ft long.

Svedrup & Parcel Engineering Co., St. Louis designers of the bridge, expect by using open cofferdams it will be possible to put most of the pier foundations on rock. However, piles will be required on some of the piers at the east approaches.

The accepted design was one of three submitted by Svedrup & Parcel for consideration by a board of consultants named by the governor of the Panama Canal Zone. When the structure is completed, it will be the second bridge across the canal on the Pacific side. The other structure is at Miraflores Lock.

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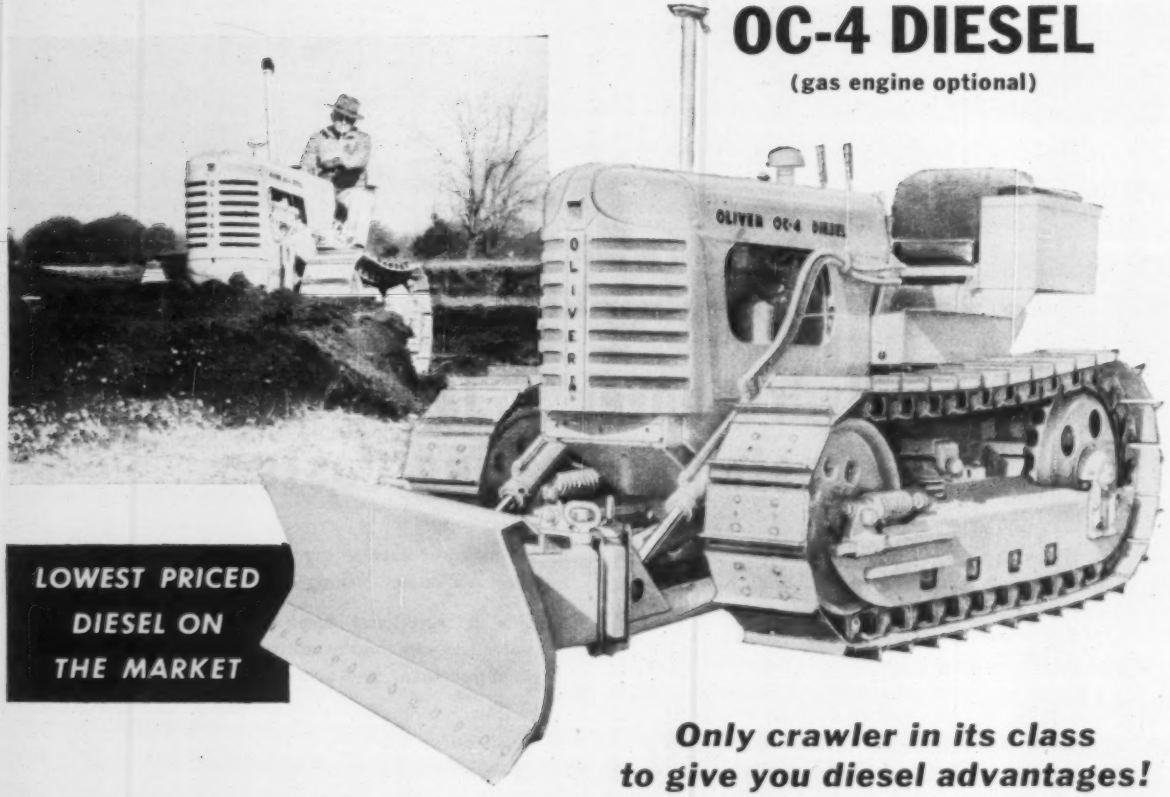

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Arizona Asks Licenses for Grand Canyon Dams

Following through on promises to build its own dams on the Colorado River, the State of Arizona Power Authority has asked the Federal Power Commission for a license to build a $162 million low dam in Bridge Canyon below Grand Canyon National Park. In addition, Arizona asked license to build a $128 million dam in Marble Canyon, just below Glen Canyon Dam, as soon as the Bridge Canyon Dam is completed.

Arizona's motive is to beat the City of Los Angeles to the punch. Los Angeles has filed an application to explore the Bridge Canyon site.

Harza Engineering Co., of Chicago, consultant to the Arizona Power Authority, says the third step development of the Middle Colorado could be construction of a dam at Prospect Canyon, above Bridge Canyon.

• **High dams**—The proposed Bridge Canyon Dam would be 450 ft high and have an installed capacity of 440,000 kw. It would impound 650,000 acre-ft of storage.

Marble Canyon Dam would be 400 ft high, backing water to Glen Canyon Dam, now under construction on the northern border of Arizona. It would store 324,000 acre-ft and have 340,000 kw of power capacity. Prospect Canyon Dam would be 300 ft.

In addition, Arizona would build a $12 million silt control dam on the Little Colorado River.

Harza's executive vice president, E. Montford Fucik, said power production from Bridge and Marble Canyon Dams would cost about 3 mills per kwh delivered in the Phoenix area. This compares with present Phoenix-area costs of 6 mills for a modern steam plant, 4.5 mills for Hoover Dam power and 4.75 mills average for Davis Dam power. (Arizona law, however, requires that public power must be sold in Phoenix at prices competitive with other power, so savings in power costs won't go to the consumer. They'll go to subsidize irrigation and other water developments.)

Arizonans are fearful that the City of Los Angeles or the State of California will monopolize Colorado power potential unless the state acts to construct its own power facilities.

J. Clyde Wilson, APA chairman, says the projects would be financed by revenue bonds and be repaid out of power revenues.

Before asking permission to build the dams, Power Authority officials met with representatives of Arizona public and private utilities and obtained their support in the license request.

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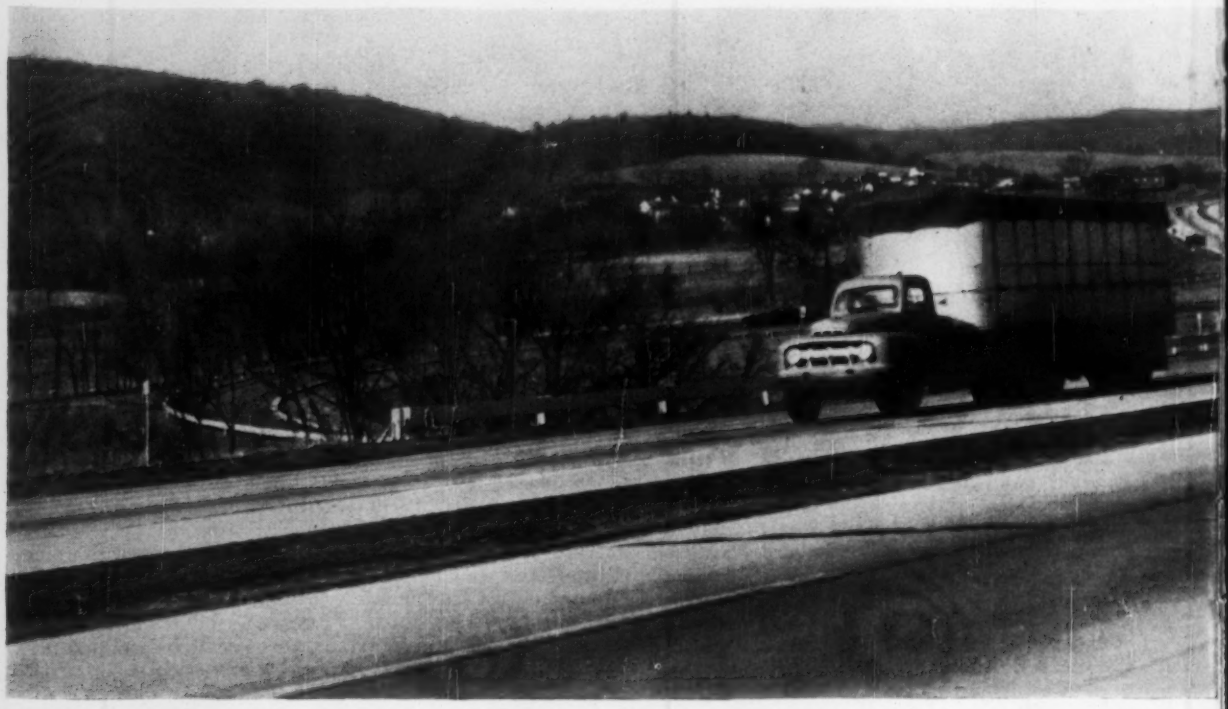

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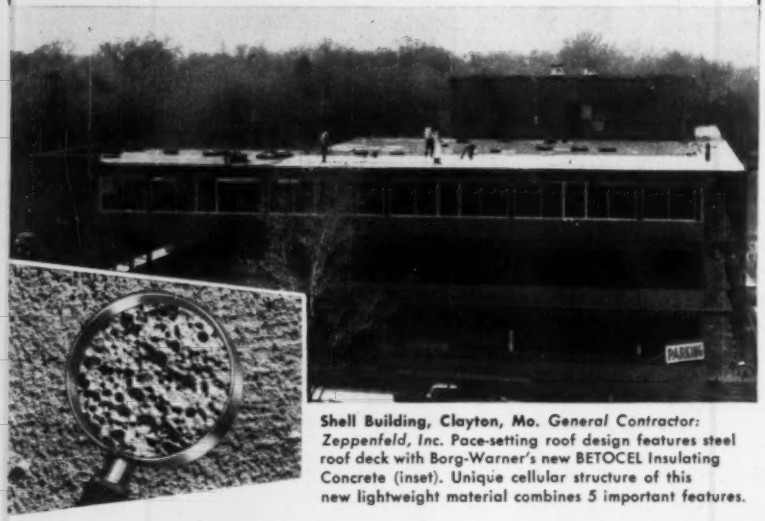

Shell Building, Clayton, Mo. *General Contractor: Zeppenfeld, Inc.* Pace-setting roof design features steel roof deck with Borg-Warner's new BETOCEL Insulating Concrete (inset). Unique cellular structure of this new lightweight material combines 5 important features.

5 reasons why this roof wears a new kind of insulating concrete

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Plastic Pressure Pipe

First big city approves Use for water service, but AWWA is not sure yet

Use of plastic pipe for street-to-house pressure water service was approved last week by the Cleveland Board of Building Standards and Building Appeals—the first such move by any large municipality. But it may be two or more years before such installations will become a reality.

The approval given by the building board was not sanctioned by the City Water Department, which has the final jurisdiction on whether plastic pipe is actually used.

A spokesman for the water department says it will withhold acceptance of plastic pipe until it has the approval of the American Water Works Association. (However, Water Commissioner Frank Schwemler retired last week; his successor has not been named, but his stand could conceivably be reversed by a new commissioner.)

As to AWWA approval, Raymond Faust, assistant secretary of the waterworks group was asked by ENR if this latest development has been brought to his attention. Nothing official had yet been submitted to the association, but Mr. Faust says that plastic pipe will not be approved right away.

Plastic pipe is now being approved solely for experimental uses because there are many problems that must be ironed out, according to the association. Standards for plastic pipe and plastic material for water supply use are still being sought. AWWA and the American Society for Testing Materials are working together to formulate these essential standards. But this work may take two years to complete, says Mr. Faust.

Approval by the Cleveland Board of Building Standards means that plastic pipe can now be used legally inside a building or beyond a building, but not between the building and a water main without the approval of the water department.

One pipe distributor in Cleveland, now dealing mostly in copper pipe, says he would "be glad to replace copper with plastic if plastic will do the job. If it does, it will have big advantages."

J. W. Owings, sales manager of Republic Steel Corp. says: "We are just as much interested in selling steel pipe as ever. But the particular application in this case, in our opinion, gives plastic pipe the edge by a wide margin. From the standpoint of the contractor, the installing workmen and the user, plastic pipe is the ideal choice for street-to-house water lines where high pressures are not involved."

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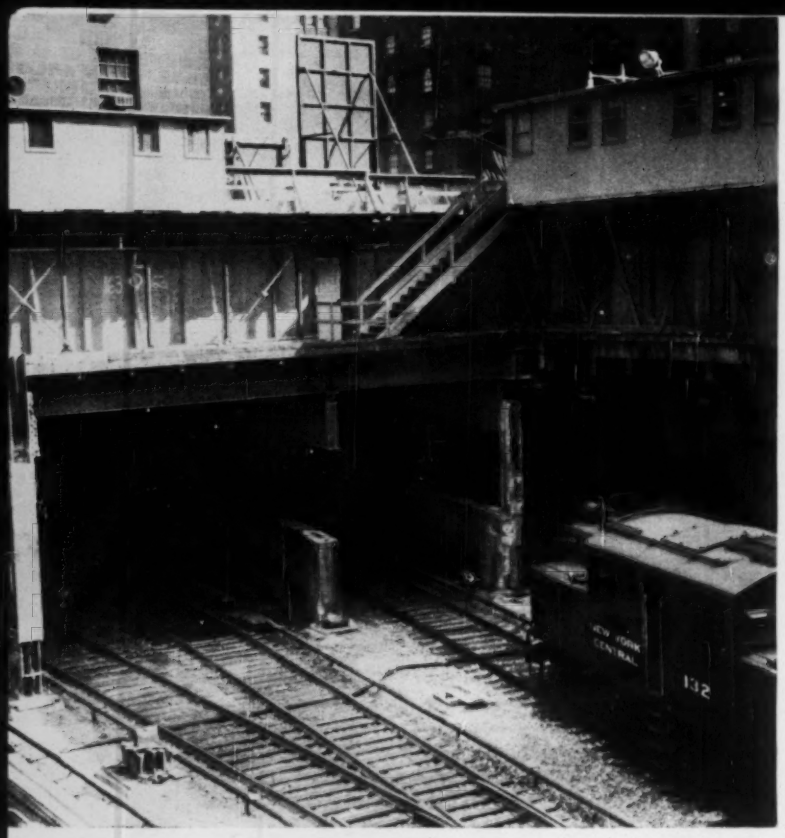

Trains ran as usual in New York City during . . .

Foundation construction amidst tracks of

Skyscraper Sprouts Through

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Project Engineer
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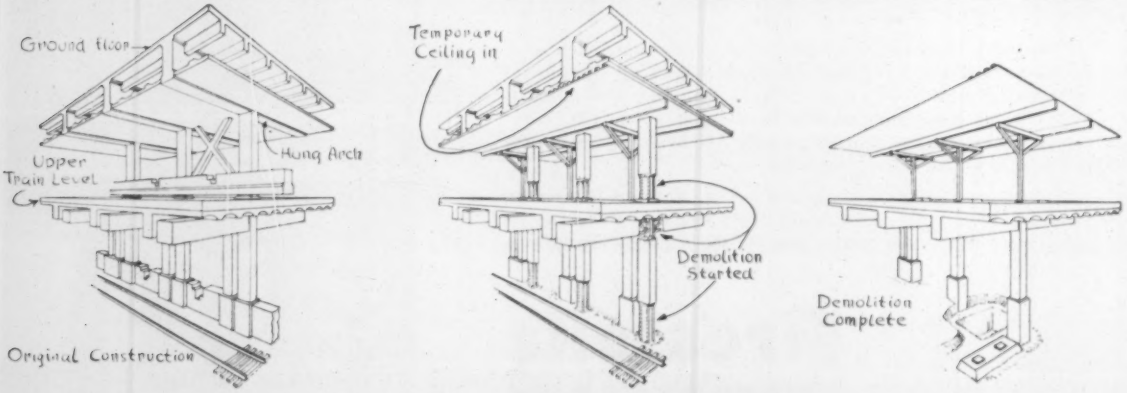
One of New York City's most complex foundation jobs is nearly completed. The project is the Union Carbide Corp's new 52 story headquarters at 270 Park Ave., on the city's fashion row of office buildings.

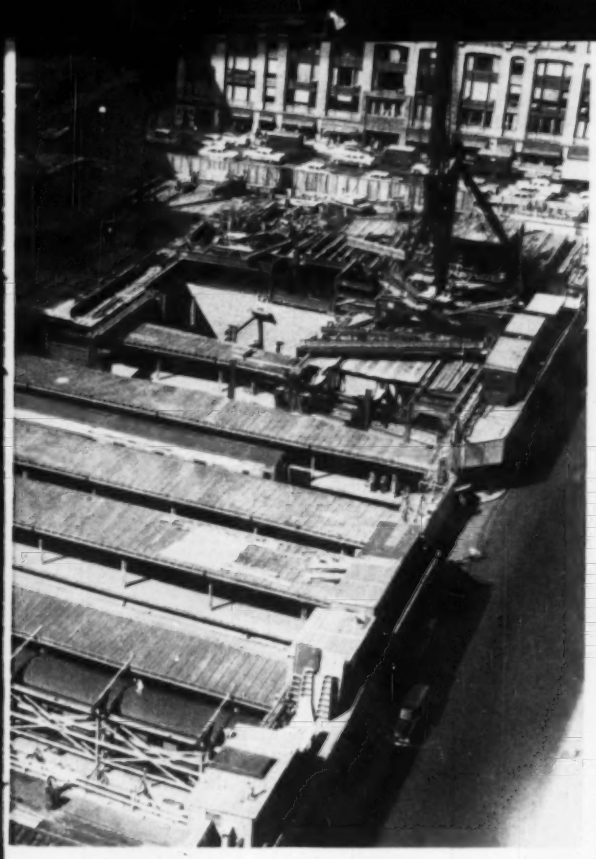
Three-quarters of the glass and stainless steel building will sit over the complex railroad track network of Grand Central Terminal. Trains use a four-track tunnel (beneath Park Ave.) to get in and out of the terminal. A half mile north of the terminal the tunnel starts to fan out—to the sides and into a two-level system. The new building sits over the widest part of this tunnel.

• **Highest bolted frame**—The new headquarters occupies the entire block between Park Ave. and Madison Ave. from 47th to 48th St. on the site of the old Hotel Marguery. The building will climb 700 ft without setbacks from a plaza on the Park Ave. side. This height will set a record for bolted-frame buildings. The ground level will be an exhibition area with escalators running to the main lobby on the second floor. The tower, occupying the front third of the site, will be backed by a 12-story section on the Madison Ave. side. Cost of the project was estimated at $40 million.

The building's curtain wall will have fixed glass windows framed by black stainless steel spandrel panels and column covers. The steel coloring process

The switch from old to new . . .





New York Central Railroad for . . .

Union Carbide's new 60 story headquarters.

Railroad Terminal Tracks

will give a textured matte finish to the panels, which is expected to reduce building glare and reflection. Bare stainless steel mullions, running uninterrupted from street to roof, will accent the black paneling.

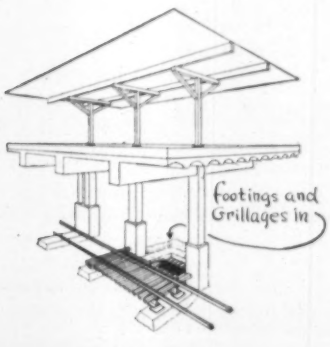
• **550 trains a day**—Below the street, the tracks carry nearly 550 trains in and out of Grand Central every day. Work was planned so that there have been no interruptions due to the construction.

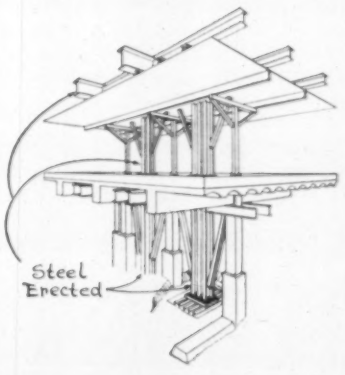
The Hotel Marguery was a steel frame, cinder concrete structure with a brick facade. Demolition of the ground floor and the hung concrete ceiling beneath was complicated—it was directly over the upper track level. Before demolition started, a ceiling of fireproofed wood bents and metal decking was installed as protection for passengers and trains on the upper level.

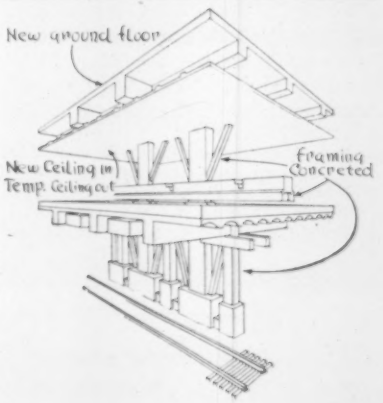
Careful planning and timing of the work were necessary to maintain normal movement of trains. A construction timetable was prepared with detailed drawings that showed each step of the operations and the order of performance. Everything was labeled carefully to insure the right procedure in the track maze below street level. "Cut Here" and "Don't Burn This Beam" signs covered the work area.

Four guy derricks and two truck cranes removed the debris and steel of the ground floor and hung ceiling. The material was loaded into trucks at street level for removal.

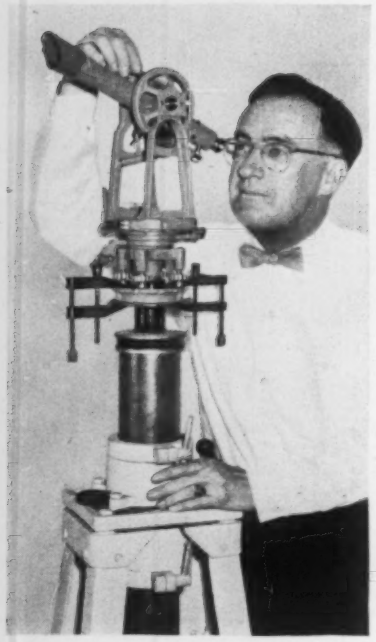
The train tunnel was an asset in some ways, during demolition and when new construction started. Old heavy girders







Cites White's ability to "rough it"



Bert Heuvelman, President, Instrument Sales, 3947 W. Lawrence, Chicago —Shown adjusting a David White T8200 Contractors' Transit.

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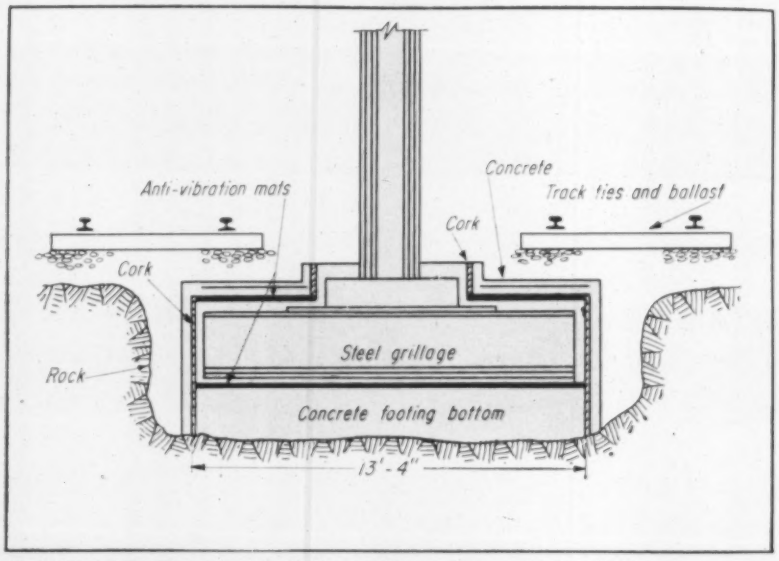

CUSHION DESIGN of footings keeps building free from all train vibration.

that spanned over the tracks were lowered with hydraulic jacks onto flatcars for easy removal through the tunnel. Column steel below street level, crash walls running between the tracks and the debris from the lower level were loaded onto gondolas and flat cars and taken out the same way. In later construction, much of the structural steel for use below street level was brought in through the railroad tunnel.

A deep brick wall forms the west boundary of the underground track network. Beyond this wall the site had to be excavated to the required new grade, as in any ordinary building. The contractors made the most of the situation by punching an access hole through the wall. Spoil from the excavation was dumped by front-end loader through the hole directly into gondolas parked on the near track.

In the railroad tunnel, rock drilling for the new footings started on each column line as soon as the Hotel Marguery foundations were demolished. The new footings were designed for 40 ton psf bearing. More than 1,000 cu yd of rock had to be removed for them. Blasting was ruled out because of the danger of damaging the existing terminal foundations. The rock excavation was slow, tough work.

• **Footings cushioned**—Like all other buildings over the terminal's tracks, Union Carbide's headquarters is completely separated from the vibration of train activity. Open joints between wall base and ground level do the job. This separation is carried all the way down to the footings.

On the Carbide job, antivibration mats separate steel column grillages from concrete footing bottoms. These mats have a 12 gage sheet steel core with $\frac{3}{8}$ in. layers of asbestos on top and bottom. This is all enclosed in a $\frac{1}{8}$ in. thick jacket of pure lead. The edges are sealed with lead while the entire assembly is held in a press at 200 psi pressure.

Footing construction was concrete footing bottom, antivibration mat, then steel grillage for the column. After the column was set, concrete was poured over the grillage mat, followed by another antivibration mat. A final layer of reinforced concrete protects the assembly. Directly above this is the track ballast. The footing sides and column ends are isolated from vibration by vertical sandwiches of concrete with high density cork centers.

Structural steel erection began at the west side, outside the track network. When steel was installed up to ground level, the steel contractor erected two rolling traveler derricks to handle tunnel steel. As the steel erection moved east over the tunnel, the travelers were moved on rails out over the steel they had just placed. When the substructure steel was completed at the east end of the site, the travelers were dismantled and removed.

Below street level, fireproofing of the new steel and restoration of the reinforced concrete crash walls are scheduled for completion by the end of this summer.

Architect for the project is Skidmore, Owings & Merrill. Consulting engineer is Syska & Hennesey. George A. Fuller Co. is the general contractor. Joint venture for the foundation work is Crimmins-Lipsett. All are New York City firms.

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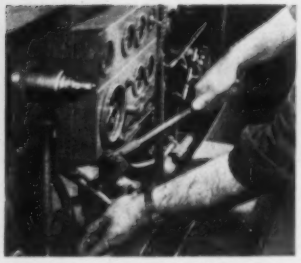

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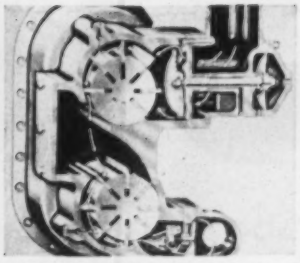

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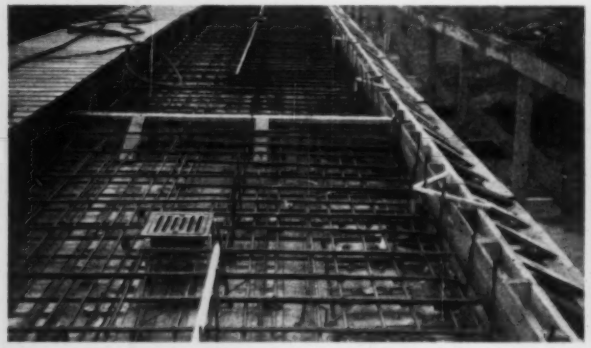
REPORT FROM OHIO

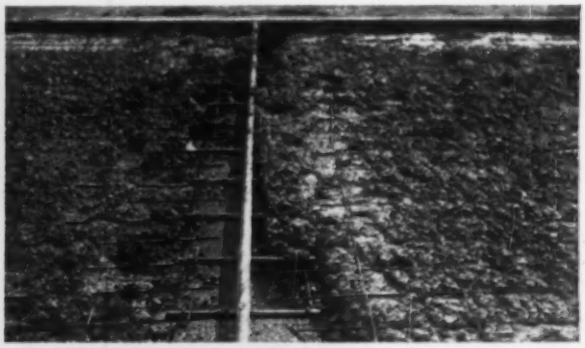
Across the Nation the road building program continues to gain impetus . . . and Ohio is a nation within a nation—a great industrial state as well as a great agricultural state—with many rivers to be bridged and expressways to be built.

Reinforced concrete is playing a major role in this vast construction undertaking. Progress reports from many important projects in Ohio show that more and more highway engineers are finding that they can count on their bridge and separation structures being "completed on time" when they design in reinforced concrete.

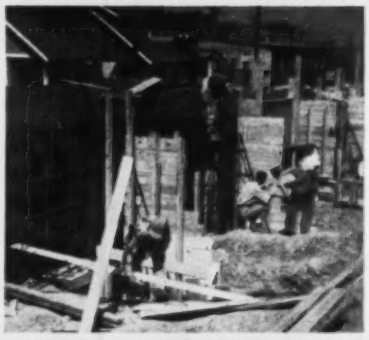
New Ohio bridges take shape on schedule with Reinforced Concrete



Upper flange of a girder about to be imbedded in a roadway slab of a new bridge over the Little Miami River. The new bridge will have two 88-ft, two 110-ft, and one 121-ft spans.



Surface course is ready for pouring over reinforcing bars in new pavement on state Route 4, Butler County, Ohio.



Workmen build wooden forms about reinforcing bars for a retaining wall on the Akron Expressway.

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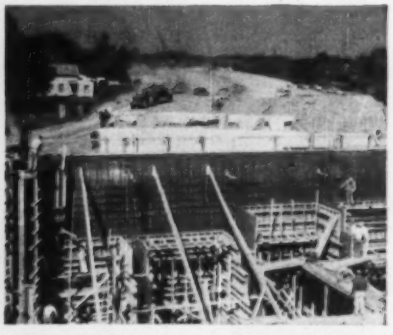
Reinforcing bars and scuppers are placed in the forms for a new bridge over the Little Miami River on Ohio Route 74, east of Cincinnati.

Bars in place ready for pouring on a new bridge over the Little Miami River, east of Cincinnati on Ohio Route 74.



A new Akron Expressway bridge begins to take shape from reinforcing bars in the pier forms.

Newly compiled 1957 figures show cities are setting a good pace in . . .

	1940	1945	1949	1953*	1957
. . . Laying the sewers:					
Number of sewered communities	8,516	8,917	---	9,118	11,131
Census population (millions)	75.7	82.0	---	100.3	102.0
Estimated population connected (millions)	70.5	74.7	78.9	83.4	98.4
Percent of census population connected	93.1	91.1	---	83.0	96.4
. . . Reducing raw discharge:					
Number of communities	3,597	3,610	3,718	---	3,165
Estimated population served (millions)	29.9	27.9	28.1	28.2	21.9
. . . Constructing treatment plants:					
Number of communities	5,085	5,480	---	6,816	8,066
Estimated population served (millions)	40.6	46.9	50.8	55.2	76.4
Percent of total sewered population	57.6	62.7	64.4	66.2	77.7

*Data from ENR Inventory of Sewage Disposal Facilities – Oct. 15, 1953 p. 37

Where We Stand on Pollution Control

There's encouraging news in the latest and most complete inventory of municipal sewage treatment facilities in the U. S., just compiled by the U. S. Public Health Services. The published summary will soon be available from PHS.

Population served by treatment plants increased 38%, from 55.2 to 76.4 million between 1953-1957. That's a big improvement over the 8% gains between 1949-1953 and 1945-1949. The 98.4 million persons served by sewers represent 57% of the U. S. population.

The encouraging trend continues when you break down the type of treatment.

Population served by secondary, or complete, treatment increased 66%, from 26.1 to 43.3 million, between 1949 and 1957. Primary and intermediate plants increased 50% in population served during this period.

• **The best ever**—The new summary for 1957 is the third published by the Public Health Service. And it's the most complete ever. It breaks down various treatment processes by population served, as well as by number of plants using them. Population figures give a truer indication of the extent to which each type of treatment plant is used.

There are also breakdowns by population groups and major drainage basins, in addition to state by state rundowns. Use of high-speed data processing equipment made these additions possible.

Earlier PHS inventories were published in 1940 and 1945. ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD filled in the gaps by conducting and publishing similar surveys in 1946 (ENR Nov. 14, p. 112) and 1953 (ENR Oct 15, p. 37).

• **Urban progress**—In terms of sewer systems, the 1957 data show that new urban population is being connected to sewers as it develops and that some headway has been made in reducing previously unconnected population in urban areas. In 1945 only 91% of the census population of sewered communities was connected, while today over 96% is connected. This trend also is borne out by comparing the sewered population increase since 1945 (32%) with the increase in census population of sewered communities (25%).

Another significant trend is the increase in population served by treatment facilities of centralized sanitary districts or other communities. Now 20 million persons are served, an increase of 65% since 1945. It can be argued that this is a gratifying development, since the larger plants associated with central sanitary districts are normally better operated and better designed.

The trend toward separate sewer systems continues. Now 82% of the 10,500 communities reporting is served by separate sanitary sewers. There was a decrease in the number of communities reporting combined sewers between 1945 and 1957.

In primary treatment plants, the increase in mechanically cleaned settling tanks was substantial. This type tank now serves 73% of the population served by primary plants, compared to 56% in 1945. In actual population served, the mechanical tank has jumped 95% since 1945.

• **Disturbing note**—The one disquieting point—and a consequential one—in the new inventory is this: Even with the tremendous volume of treatment plant construction these days, there probably has been a slight increase of pollution loading from community systems discharging into the nation's streams. True, there has been gratifying decrease in population discharging raw sewage; but the reduction of pollutant materials achieved by treatment plants has not been enough to offset the tremendous increase in population served.

This point, and all the other conclusions above, are amplified in tables and analyses on the following pages.

The complete summary of the 1957 inventory (PHS Publication 609) is to be published this summer and can be obtained by writing: Water Supply and Water Pollution Program, Department of Health, Education & Welfare, Washington 25, D. C.

This publication includes large summary tables in which each of the headings shown on the following pages, plus many others, is broken by state, population group and drainage basin. It has been authorized by John R. Thoman, senior sanitary engineer, and Kenneth H. Jenkins, analytical statistician, of USPHS.

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. . . Population served by treatment plants increased 38% in four years

The summary includes no industrial or institutional data. The term "municipal" includes not only incorporated and unincorporated communities, but sanitary districts in their many forms.

All data in the inventory are for 1957 except for Alabama, Michigan and Louisiana communities where 1953 figures had to be used.

While Publication 609 will be a complete summary, the basic data that is received for each community from state pollution control administrations is scheduled to be published later on during the summer.

How Municipal Inventory Was Prepared So Quickly

The 1957 inventory of municipal sewage treatment was processed in a fraction of the time required for the previous PHS inventories. Information was gathered and forwarded by state regulatory officials on a single PHS form for each community. Clerical personnel coded the data and prepared addressograph plates from which each community's story was printed as a one line item in tabular form.

Meanwhile, punched cards containing the same coded information were prepared and verified in standard IBM equipment. The IBM sorter then was used as a second verifier. The sorter could check out coding of the PHS personnel, accuracy of transcription of data on addressograph and even the original supplying of data by the states (i.e., if a community showed a primary plant, there should not be a notation in the trickling filter column on the punched card).

Of about 12,000 punched cards, the sorter kicked out 250. About half had incorrect original information, one-quarter contained coding errors. Surprisingly, the last quarter of the cards contained punching errors that had gotten through the regular punched card verifiers (a second operator repunches the data in the original punched card, on the theory that two operators won't make the same mistake).

The sorter then was used to arrange the punched cards by the desired grouping (state, basin, population group).

The cards were then run through an IBM 407 printer, which served as a tabulator on this job.

It was found that an electronic computer is really necessary to do the arithmetic and percentage work. A digital computer will be used on future work of this type.

Data preparation was supervised by Arthur D. Smart, under the direction of John B. Thoman.

Here's the changing picture from 1940 to 1957:

Treatment	Assigned Percent Reduction	Estimated Population Discharged (Millions) 1940	1945	1957
None	0.0	29.9	27.9	21.9
Minor	0.0	3.3	4.3	1.9
Primary	31.3	10.4	11.8	17.6
Intermediate	45.5	2.2	2.1	3.0
Secondary	82.5	3.2	3.8	7.6
Total		49.0	49.9	52.0

1 The only discouraging note

An increase of 4.5% in total population discharged to streams between 1945-1957, and an increase of 6.3% in the 1940-1957 period is indicated in Table I. Note that Table I is based on "population" only; comparable population equivalent data are not available for years earlier than 1957. However, preliminary study indicates 75 million population equivalents (PE) are being discharged to streams, and 65 million PE are being removed in treatment plants in cities around the country.

The percent reductions assigned to the different treatment processes are based on data reported in 1957 for about 55% of the sewered population. Note that they are 5 to 10% lower than conventional design removal rates. That may indicate overloaded plants, poor design or poor plant operation—or all three.

Since Table I causes reflection as to the accomplishment of current pollu-

1957 nationwide breakdown of primary,

Process	Number of Plants	Estimated Pop. Served (Millions)	Percent of Estimated Population Served
Septic tanks	780	1.0	3.8
Imhoff tanks	1,084	3.3	13.0
Mechanically cleaned tanks	656	18.6	72.7
Plain, hopper bottom tanks	80	1.3	5.2
Settling tanks - No detail in Inventory	53	1.0	4.0
Others and Unknown	77	0.3	1.3
Total	2,730	25.5	100.0

4 Mechanically cleaned primary tanks lead

Imhoff and septic tank primary plants show up as most numerous in Table 4. But they serve only 16.8% of the primary population. In 1945 these two processes served 36.0% of the primary population and accounted for 83.5% of all primary plants. On the other hand, mechanically cleaned settling tanks increased 84% in number and 95.1% in population served between 1945 and 1957.

In general, septic tank and Imhoff plants predominate in smaller communities, while the mechanically cleaned tank is the major type in cities of over 5,000 population.

Considerable variation exists among the various basins. Comparison of Tables 4 and 6 indicates that many of the Imhoff and spectic tanks may be converted into exclusive sludge handling facilities.

In pollution discharged, degree of treatment and type of secondary process

Degree of Treatment	1940	1945	1949	1957	% Change '45-'57	% Change '49-'57
			Number of Plants			
Minor	49	60	54	41	−31.7	−24.1
Primary	2,889	2,829	3,019	2,730	−3.5	−9.6
Intermediate	{2,630}	98	107	100	2.0	−6.5
Secondary		2,799	3,050	4,647	66.0	52.4
Total	5,580	5,786	6,230	7,518	29.9	20.7
			Estimated Population Served (Millions)			
Minor	3.3	4.3	3.9	1.8	−56.4	−51.7
Primary	15.1	17.2	17.2	25.7	49.5	49.1
Intermediate	{22.2}	3.8	3.6	5.6	48.6	54.2
Secondary		21.7	26.1	43.3	100.0	72.3
Total	40.6	47.0	50.8	76.4	63.1	50.5

2 Secondary treatment is on sharp rise

Type of Treatment	Estimated Population Served (Millions)		
	1940	1945	1957
Chemical Treatment	4.0	5.3	7.3
Activated Sludge	10.5	11.6	25.0
Trickling Filter Standard Rate	{8.4}	8.8	11.3
Trickling Filter High Rate		0.7	6.5
Intermittent Sand Filter	0.9	1.0	0.9
Application to Land	0.9	1.3	2.0
Lagoons	—	0.2	2.4

3 Activated sludge is drawing away

tion abatement programs, all of the data are the subject of a special PHS study to be reported at a later date.

Table 2 points up the sharp rise in secondary treatment construction since 1945. Some 43.3 million persons served by complete treatment represent 57% of the treated population and 44% of the sewered population (98.4 million). Significantly, there have been decreases since 1949 in the number of plants in all categories other than secondary.

Table 3 gives striking evidence of the increasing popularity of the activated sludge process. But transcendent as its position has become, the greatest percentage increase during 1945-1957 was for lagoons, or stabilization ponds. The number of ponds increased from 45 to 631; they are concentrated in the smaller communities and the West.

Note that the data in Table 3 are not additive. In all the other summaries shown, where a plant incorporates two or more processes, it has been arbitrarily assigned to the predominant type. In Table 3, the full population of dual process plants has been assigned in both places. Thus, total of the 1957 columns less chemical treatment is 48.1 million, compared to 43.4 million for secondary treatment in Table 5. The exact population served by each type of secondary plant lies somewhere between the two, though much closer to the smaller figure.

secondary and sludge handling processes

Process	Number of Plants	Estimated Pop. Served (Millions)	Percent of Estimated Population Served
Activated sludge			
Mechanical aeration	259	0.9	2.1
Diffused air	284	20.2	46.5
Others	46	3.7	8.5
Trickling filters			
Standard rate	1,870	9.3	21.6
High rate	812	6.0	13.8
Sand filters	394	0.8	1.9
Land application	340	1.0	2.3
Oxidation ponds	430	0.8	1.8
Others & Unknown	212	0.7	1.5
Total	4,647	43.4	100.0

5 Activated sludge predominates in big cities

Process	Number of Plants Using	Est. Pop. Served (Millions)
Chlorination	2,216	37.8
Grit removal	1,581	51.7
Sludge processsing		
Septic tank	1,120	---
Imhoff tanks	2,759	---
Stage digestion	272	---
Separate digestion	2,790	---
Drying beds	5,342	---
Lagoons	167	---
Mech. dewatering	197	---
No organized method	1,781	---
Miscellaneous	226	---

6 Chlorination, grit removal, sludge

Table 5 shows the activated sludge process is used in 589 plants serving 24.8 million persons. This type predominates in cities over 25,000 population. There are considerable differences in process use among the various basins. For example, in the Lake Erie basin almost 55% of the plants (by number) are activated sludge, while in the Colorado River basin the corresponding figure is only 5.2%.

The diffused air method of actuated sludge is quite universal.

The figures shown in Table 6 for chlorination comprise 29.5% of all treatment plants and 49.5% of the population served. In 1945, comparable quantities were 21.8% and 34.2%, respectively. The latest figures represent increases of 75.6% in plants using and 136% in population served.

For grit removal, the figures shown represent increases from 1945 to 1957 of 107% in number of plants so equipped and 86% in population served.

While 1,781 plants do not report any organized method of sludge dewatering, it is probable that some have drying units that have not been reported to state officials. The majority of the 1,781 plants are small Imhoff or septic tank plants.

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Geographical Area	1950 Census Pop. of Sewered Communities	Est. Pop. Connected to Sewers	% of Connected Pop. Sewage Discharged, Treated	Est. Pop. Served by Primary, Intermediate Plants	Est. Pop. Served by Secondary Plants
1. New England	7.5	6.4	69.3	2.4	1.1
2. Middle Atlantic	24.9	23.9	71.4	7.8	8.6
3. South Atlantic	10.1	9.5	72.4	3.5	3.3
4. East North Central	22.6	22.3	88.7	5.8	13.9
5. East South Central	4.5	4.1	55.7	1.4	0.9
6. West North Central	8.5	7.5	63.1	1.7	3.1
7. West South Central	8.7	8.1	83.5	0.5	6.3
8. Mountain	3.1	3.5	77.8	1.1	1.7
9. Pacific	12.1	12.9	90.7	7.2	4.4
Total	102.0	98.3	77.7(Avg)	31.4	43.3

1- Maine, N.H., Vt., Mass., R.I., Conn.
2- N.Y., N.J., Pa.
3- Del., Md., District of Columbia, Va., W.Va., N.C., S.C.
4- Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis.
5- Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss.
6- Minn., Iowa, Mo., N.D., S.D., Neb., Kan.
7- Ark., La., Okla., Tex.
8- Mont., Idaho, Wyo., Colo., N.M., Ariz., Utah, Nev.
9- Wash., Ore., Calif.

7 Where the twain meet—sometimes

Year	Total U.S. Pop. – Millions	Number of Sewered Communities	Pop. Served By Sewers – (Millions)
1860	31.4	10	1.0
1870	38.6	100	4.5
1880	50.2	400	9.5
1890	62.9	450	16.1
1900	76.0	950	24.5
1910	92.0	1,600	34.5
1920	105.7	3,000	47.5
1930	122.8	5,100	61.5
1935	132.0	6,800	69.5
1940	132.7	8,516	70.5
1945	139.6	8,917	74.7
1948	144.6	—	76.7
1949	149.2	—	78.9
1957	171.2	11,131	98.4

8 Sewers are catching up

The connected population can exceed the census population in Table 7, since the latter is based on the 1950 census in most instances. Only along the Pacific Coast do the connected figures exceed 100% of census population.

Although the East-South-Central area has only 55.7% sewered population served by treatment of any type, the comparable figure in 1945 was only 31.3%, indicating substantial progress. In the Ohio River basin (not shown) 58% of the sewered population is served by treatment. This, too, represents substantial progress in view of what existed in this basin 10 years ago.

Study of the regional differences indicates there may be some correlation between degree of treatment and intensity of industrialization. There also is possible correlation between degree of treatment and population density. However, a detailed analysis of these factors has not yet been made.

Table 8 bears out the conclusion that new urban population is being connected to sewers as it develops and that inroads are being made in cutting down the existing unconnected population. In 1945, about 53.5% of the total U.S. population was connected to sewers, while in 1957, the figure was 57.5%.

Over 2,200 communities have installed sewers since 1945, an increase of 25%. Corresponding increase in population is 32%. Since the census population during these years rose only 25%, further credence is given the conclusion that the unconnected urban population is being reduced.

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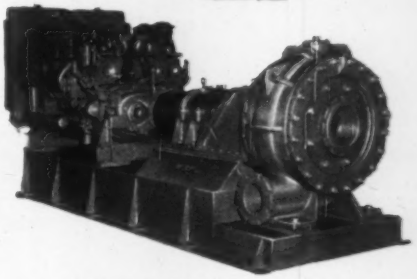

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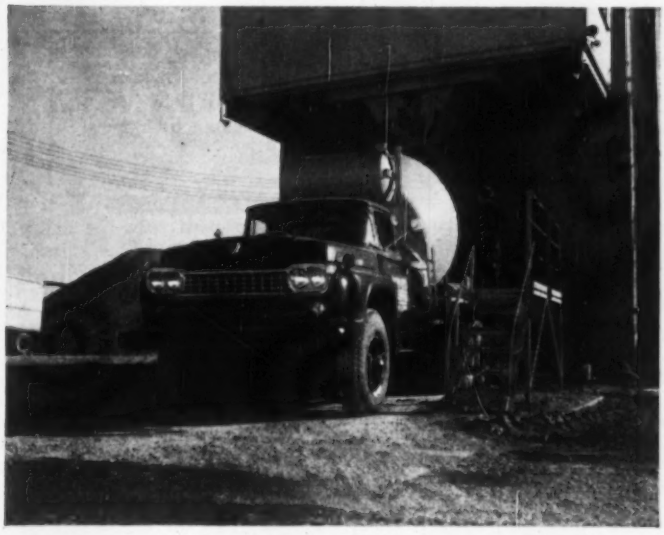

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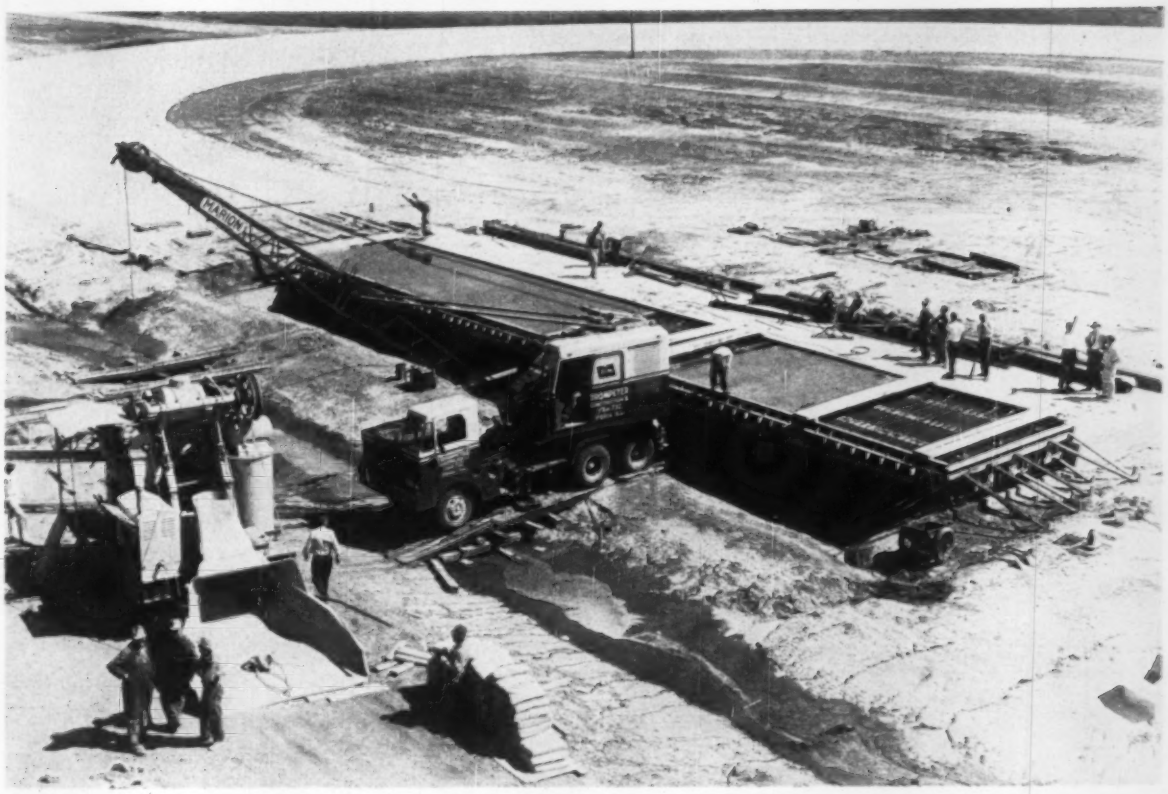

Pouring of bridge decks at test road in Ottawa, Ill., shows . . .

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The bridge research program will cost about $470,000. It includes sixteen 50 ft simple-span test bridges, located in groups of four in two of the five test loops. Test traffic will be started early this fall.

Test vehicles will be standard makes of trucks and tractor-semi-trailer combinations. During normal testing procedure, there will be six identical trucks operating in each traffic lane of each loop.

Four test spans will be subjected to 22,400 lb single-axle loads, and four to 30,000 lb single-axle loads. Four other spans will carry 40,000 lb tandem-axle loads. The last four will be subjected to 48,000 lb tandems—the heaviest loading to be studied during the entire program.

Trucks will operate about 18 hours per day, 6 days per week for two years, at a constant speed of 30 mph. They will be driven by Army Transportation Corps troops assigned to the project by the Department of Defense. Theoretically, each test bridge that survives the two-year test period will be subjected to about 600,000 applications of its particular axle load.

• **AASHO, the sponsor**—Both the bridge-testing and over-all rigid and flexible pavement-testing projects are sponsored by the American Association of State Highway Officials. The projects are administered and directed by the Highway Research Board of the National Academy of Sciences—National Research Council. The entire program is financed by the 48 states, District of Columbia, Hawaii and Puerto Rico; the Bureau of Public Roads; American Petroleum Institute; and Automobile Manufacturers Association—with the cooperation of the Department of Defense.

There are eight structural steel rolled-beam bridges; two have shear connectors welded to the top flanges, and five have partial length cover plates welded to the bottom flanges. The other eight bridges are reinforced concrete girders; four are prestressed and four are of conventional design construction.

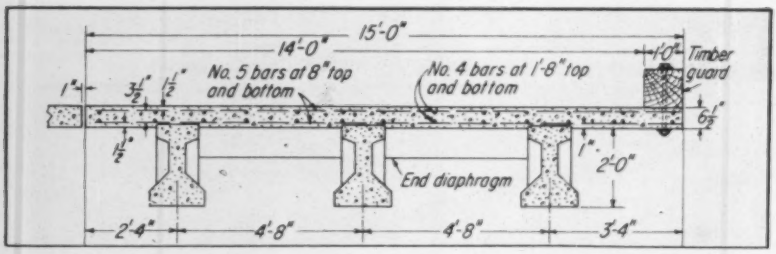
All 16 bridges have cast-in-place reinforced concrete roadway slabs, 6½ in. thick, 15 ft wide and supported on three lines of girders or beams. The concrete girders are spaced 4 ft 8 in. c-c, and the steel beams are 5 ft 0 in. c-c.

• **Prestressed concrete**—The concrete bridges were designed for complete interaction between the slab and the beams. Designs of the prestressed concrete beams were based on the moment of inertia of uncracked sections, with a tensile stress of 300 psi or 800 psi being the governing factor.

The higher tensile stress (800 psi) is expected to cause cracking of the concrete on the first application of load. This will provide information on the fatigue behavior of cracked prestressed concrete beams.

Two of the prestressed concrete

. . . Steel and Concrete will be tested many ways



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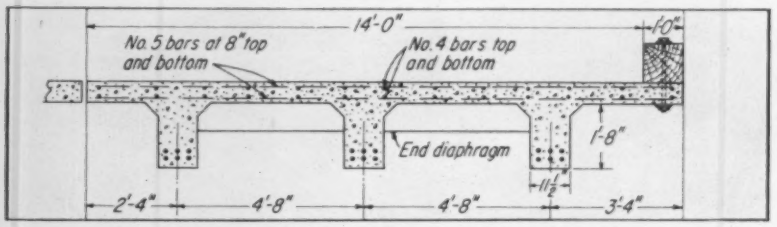
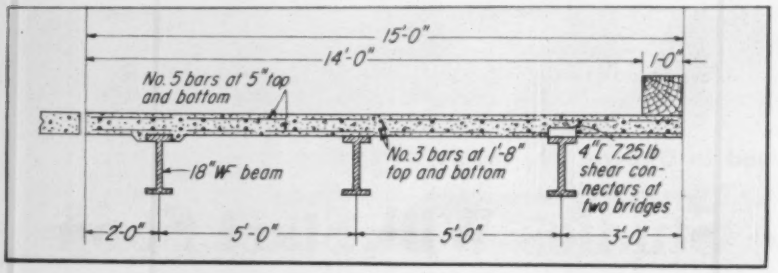


Reinforced deck girder construction is used on four others . . .



Structural steel beams are featured on eight of the bridges. Two of them have shear connectors for composite action.

bridges have post-tensioned beams and two have pretensioned beams.

The post-tensioned beams are reinforced with parallel wire cables. Each cable is made of ten 0.192 in. dia wires in a flexible metal sheathing. They are anchored with Freyssinet cone anchorages. The pretensioned beams are reinforced with $\frac{3}{8}$ in. 7-wire strands anchored by bond.

Concrete in the prestressed beams was designed for a nominal strength of 5,000 psi at 28 days, with an entrained air content of 3% to 5% and an average slump of $1\frac{1}{2}$ in. Wire for prestressing had a minimum ultimate tensile strength of 250,000 psi.

• **Reinforced concrete**—The non-prestressed beams in the other four concrete bridges were designed by the straight line, cracked section theory for tension stresses of 30,000 psi and 40,000 psi in the steel. Concrete had a nominal 28 day strength of 3,000 psi.

Primary points of interest in testing these structures will be the effect of repeated loading on both the crack width and spacing and the fatigue behavior of the reinforcing steel in the bridges.

• **Steel beams**—Design of the wide-flange steel beams, which range from 18 in. at 50 lb to 21 in. at 62 lb per lin ft, was based on the moment of inertia method. Two tension stress levels were chosen: 27,000 psi and 35,000 psi.

The 27,00 psi was selected as a high stress level that is not likely to result in fatigue failures. The stress level of 35,000 psi, however, may lead to fatigue failures, especially in beams with tension cover plates.

• **Concrete tests**—The program includes a wide variety of tests on concrete. Compression tests and modulus of rupture tests will be made on cylinders at three ages: 28 days, the beginning of the test traffic, and at the conclusion of the bridge test.

Creep and shrinkage tests are being made on several concrete cylinders as an aid in studying the time-losses of stress in prestressed concrete members. Three stress levels are involved: zero psi, 1,000 psi and 2,000 psi.

Flexural fatigue tests will be made on plain concrete beams for evaluation of the fatigue characteristics of concrete in the prestressed beams. Another study calls for evaluation of the thermal coefficient of expansion of the three types of concrete used in the test bridge.

• **Steel tests**—Since the time losses of stress in prestressed concrete beams are a function of the relaxation properties of the prestressing steel, a series of eight relaxation tests of prestressing wire and strand will be performed. The tests will be carried out at two stress levels: 140,000 psi and 175,000 psi. Each specimen will be tested for at least 1,000 hours.

The characteristics of the prestressing wire and strand, reinforcing bars, and structural steel will be evaluated by direct tension tests and fatigue tests. Residual stress measurements also will be made on 2 ft samples from the rolled steel beams as part of the research being made on fatigue behavior of the steel bridges.

• **Pre-traffic tests**—Before the test traffic starts, measurements are being made of the permanent stresses in the bridges. They'll be used later in determining the actual stress levels in the structures. Preliminary analysis of the dynamic response of the bridges also will be conducted for selection of the most suitable structures, vehicle characteristics, speeds and locations.

During the two years of use by test traffic, data will be collected to get answers to the two principal objectives of the program: Determination of both the bridge behavior under repeated application of overstress and the dynamic effects of moving vehicles.

To determine the dynamic effects, special runs of vehicles of various weights and at various speeds will be made on some of the test bridges at irregular intervals.

• **Instrumentation**—Research engineers in charge of the bridge tests consider strains and deflections to be most significant, since the response of a bridge to a loading can be measured in terms of deformations.

Two types of strains will be measured: Transient strains, caused by moving loads, and permanent strains caused by dead loads and time effects.

Transient strains will be measured by electric resistance strain gages as transducers, located primarily on the bottom surfaces of the beams at points of maximum stress. The strains will be recorded with oscillographs capable of instantaneous recording of the transducer responses. Equipment will be available for the simultaneous recording of the responses of 48 transducers.

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. . . Profiles will be run

Permanent, or cumulative strains, are measured with mechanical strain gages at midspan of each bridge beam and recorded manually.

• **Deflections**—The transducers for observation of transient deflections are cantilever beams equipped with electric resistance strain gages. Deflection beams will be fastened to the bridge beams near midspan and at several other locations.

Permanent deflections are observed at midspan and the quarter-points of the bridge beams. Special target scales in conjunction with a precise level are used for observing these deflections.

Additional measurements to be made include crack patterns and crack widths in the concrete beams, plus slip lines on the steel beams. Transverse and longitudinal profiles also will be run on the bridge slabs, and substructure elevations will be recorded.

• **Test traffic**—An electronic scale and several tire pressure transducers will be used to evaluate static and dynamic properties of the test vehicles. Tire-pressure transducers can be transferred from truck to truck, permitting recording of the actual wheel loads.

Velocity of the vehicles will be checked occasionally by a fifth wheel on each, specifically for speed recording. Mechanical traffic counters on each test loop continuously will record the number of load repetitions. Distribution of temperature in the structures will be measured by 40 thermocouples at various points on the beams and in the slabs of 8 of the 16 bridges.

• **Engineers and contractors**—Research at the AASHO Test Road is under direction of W. B. McKendrick, Jr., project director, and W. N. Carey, Jr., chief engineer for research. Ivan M. Viest is in charge of the bridge branch of the project.

The design criteria were formulated and the designs checked by a sub-committee of the Highway Research Board under direction of G. M. Foster, then with the Michigan State Highway Department.

Steel bridges were designed by N. Van Eenam of the Bureau of Public Roads. Concrete bridges were designed by H. N. Wilcox of the BPR and A. L. Farme of the Portland Cement Association.

Construction of the bridges is under the direction of W. E. Chastain, Sr., of the Illinois Division of Highways. T. E. Hagerman is resident engineer. The substructures were built by the Arcole-Midwest Co. and S. J. Groves & Sons. The superstructurers were built by Valley Builders, Inc.

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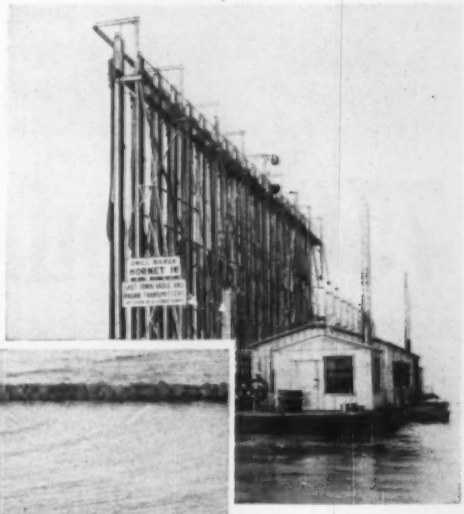

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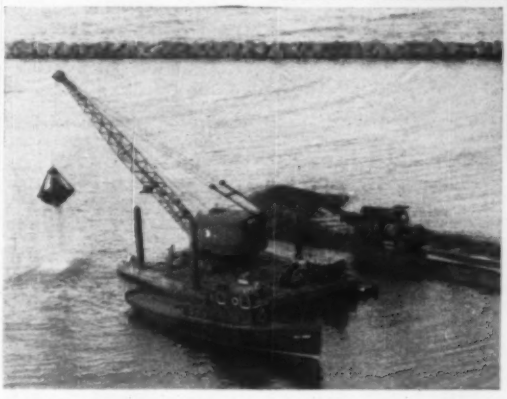

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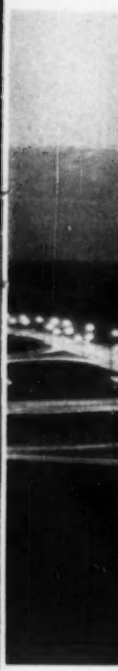

lighting.

Where Lights Are Needed to Get

Dr

W. E. Schwanhausser, Jr.
Application Engineering Manager
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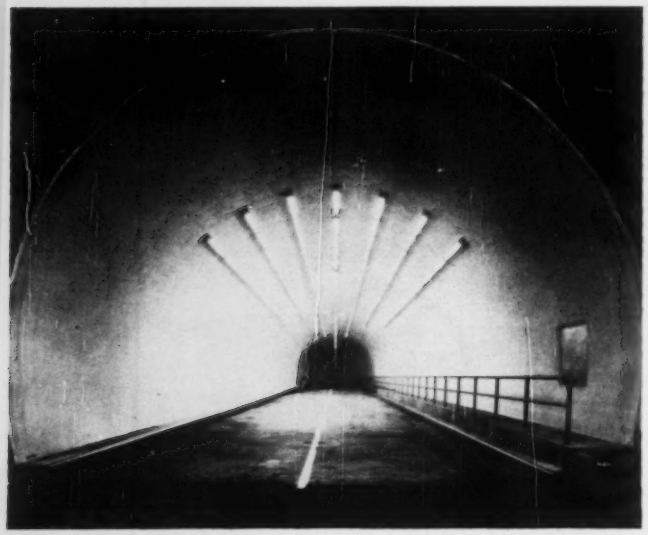
Twice as many traffic fatalities happen by night as by day—even though night traffic is only one-third as heavy as daytime. That was the result of a recent study made by Detroit traffic engineers. Year after year, statistics show that 55% to 60% of our highway accidents occur at night, despite the fact that travel is reduced during these hours.

Why this high nighttime accident rate? Surely, one reason is that the driver simply cannot see ahead. Headlights at their best fail to provide visibility of over 300 ft, and frequently less than 200 ft.

In addition to the safety factor, data is available to indicate that highway lighting helps preserve a road's capacity. Also, by giving improved visibility, traffic engineers believe fixed lighting re-



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UNDERPASSES present a problem similar to tunnels.

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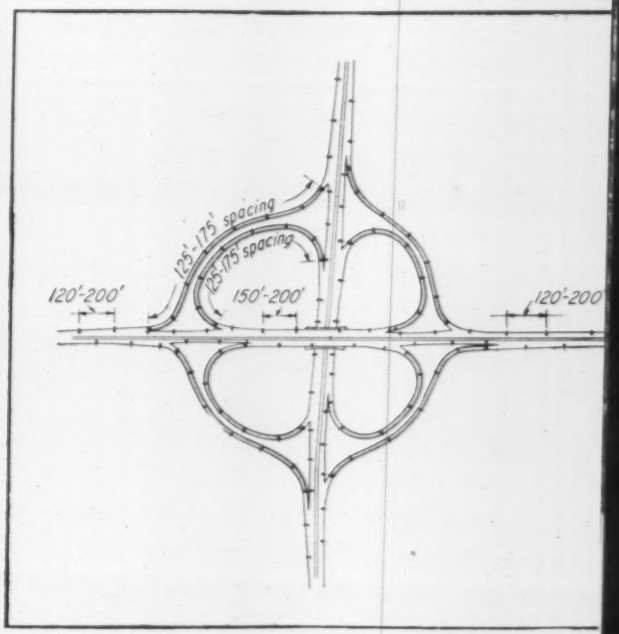
lighting. General practice calls for locating standards at outer curve.



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Drivers Out of Dark

duces driver strain, making him more comfortable and alert. Most often, oncoming headlights tend to reduce a driver's efficiency and to make him prone to accidents.

If highway lighting can reduce accidents, improve a road's capacity, and add to a driver's efficiency and comfort, where are lights needed?

• **On open road**—In the main flow of traffic, the lighting level may be decreased to a minimum in lightly traveled and rural areas. But even the experts disagree on where continuous lighting is justified. The general feeling is that it should be considered when traffic density exceeds the IES-ASA classification of "heaviest" (1,200 to 2,400 vehicles per hour).

A popular roadway design of the interstate system will be four lanes divided by a 36 ft median flanked by two 10 ft shoulders. To light such a section for suburban or urban areas a minimum of 0.8 foot-candle should be provided. With high density traffic, levels of up to 1 or 2 foot-candles should be provided. The luminaire should be located over the pavement, on an arm extending from the pole.

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Fluorescent lamps are most useful here.

BRIDGES can be effectively lighted with mercury vapor lamps about 125 ft apart.

. . . The most important highway interchanges should be lighted

GRADE INTERSECTIONS are trouble spots for the nighttime motorists. Though rare in modern highway practice, they are used on older highways and on slightly traveled roads. Lighting can prove an accident stopper.

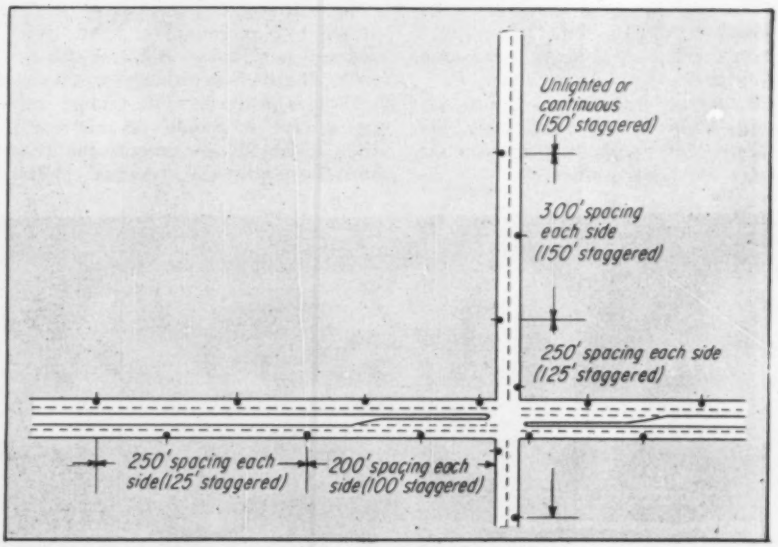
• **Urban multi-lane design** – In urban areas where right-of-way becomes expensive, the median strip likely will shrink as low as the 4 ft minimums specified by the Bureau of Public Roads. In this case the engineer might think of placing twin light standards down the median strip to get the most economical installation.

Unfortunately, the accident hazard increases with narrow medians. For safety at least 4½ ft clearance between the roadway edge and obstructions, such as light standards, should be allowed.

Consequently, when narrow medians exist, the recommended practice is to place the standards along the outside curb lanes or just outside the shoulder. If a barrier curb exists, the light pole should be placed about 5 ft back from the edge.

Even though mounting luminaires in the median strip is discouraged, there are exceptions worth considering. For example, installation of twin light standards with long mast arms is acceptable when the median strip is large enough.

• **Intersections and interchanges** – While grade crossings are discouraged for modern highways, they may be permitted in some remote locations.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MAJOR-MINOR intersection is a typical application for staggered lighting, spaced at 200 to 250 ft to give uniform illumination.

Here they are hazards that need light.

Primary characteristic of newer highways are interchanges, which can take many forms. The most important interchanges with the highest traffic densities should be lighted.

The simplest interchange is the jug handle, generally found at points of access or exit. Here luminaires mounted on the outside curves will give the best uniform pavement brightness.

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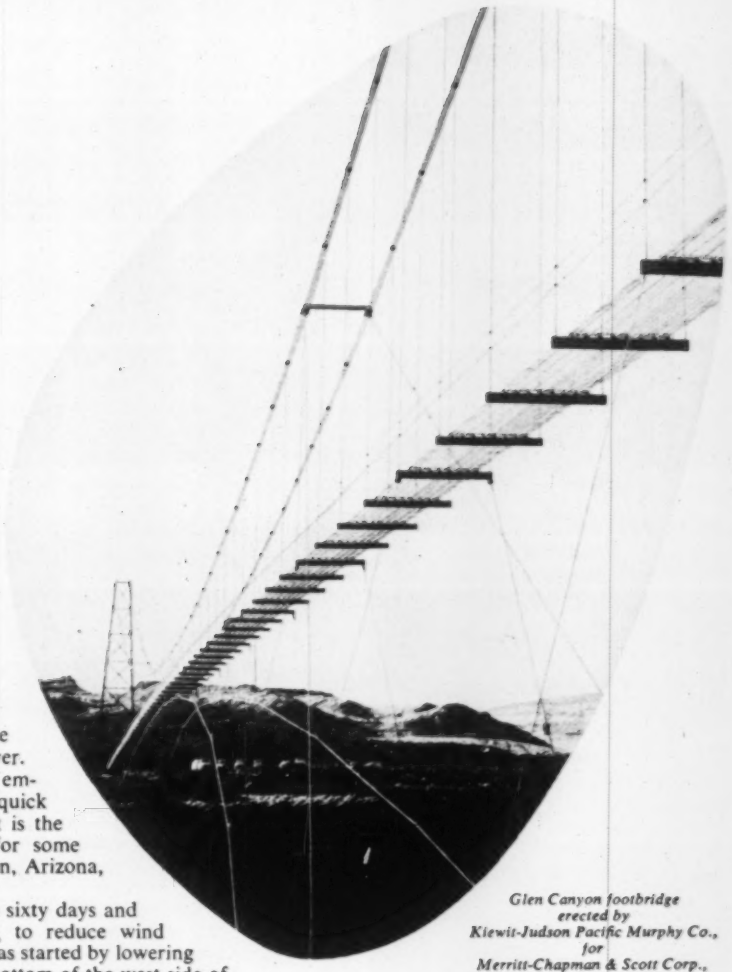

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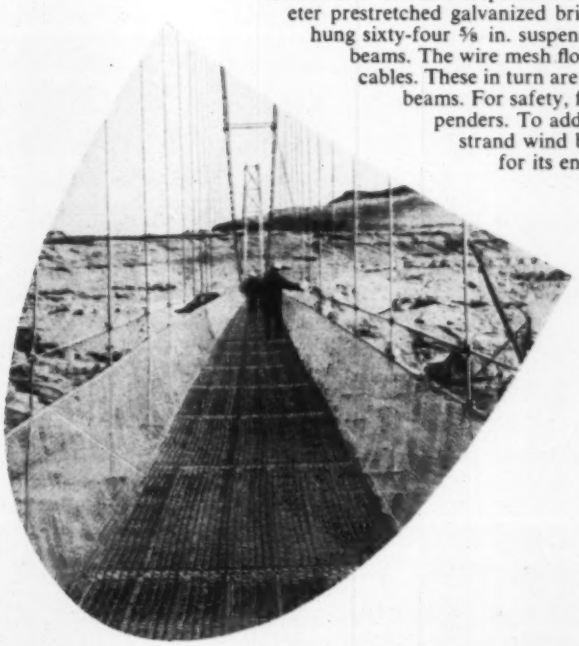

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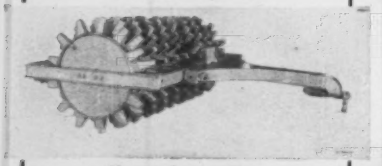

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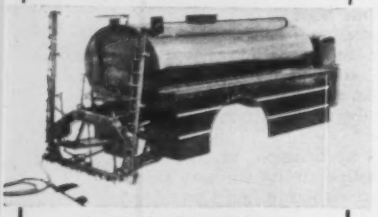

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• **Acceleration, deceleration lanes** – At access road turnoffs and acceleration lanes there is a serious traffic hazard–the possibility of sideswipe or rear end collisions. The hazard can be reduced at night by letting the driver see the other fellow.

For the proper amount of surface detail, the highway lighting level should be at about one foot-candle at approaches and at the lane itself. This illumination should not be discontinued abruptly; taper it down gradually to keep the motorist from being blinded as he leaves the lighted area. In many cases where acceleration lanes are close together, tapering down for one lane can act as the build-up for the other.

• **Underpasses and tunnels**–Underpasses up to 75 ft long do not need lighting; conventional roadway lights can easily handle them. However, care should be taken that the light will reach under the structure without casting dark shadows. For longer underpasses and tunnels, fluorescent luminaires mounted parallel to the road usually will be most effective. At tunnel entrances, additional rows of fixtures will help build up the level at the portal during daylight hours.

• **Bridges and viaducts**–On double-deck bridges with stacked roadways, relatively low mounting heights make large, low-brightness fluorescent luminaires appropriate. On smaller bridges, the technique is about the same as normal road lighting, with lights located along the outer bridge rail and the median kept free and clear.

• **Illuminated signs** – Many engineers have found that king-size signs mounted above the roadway are particularly effective in directing the motorist to the proper lane–and when lighted at night they are even more effective.

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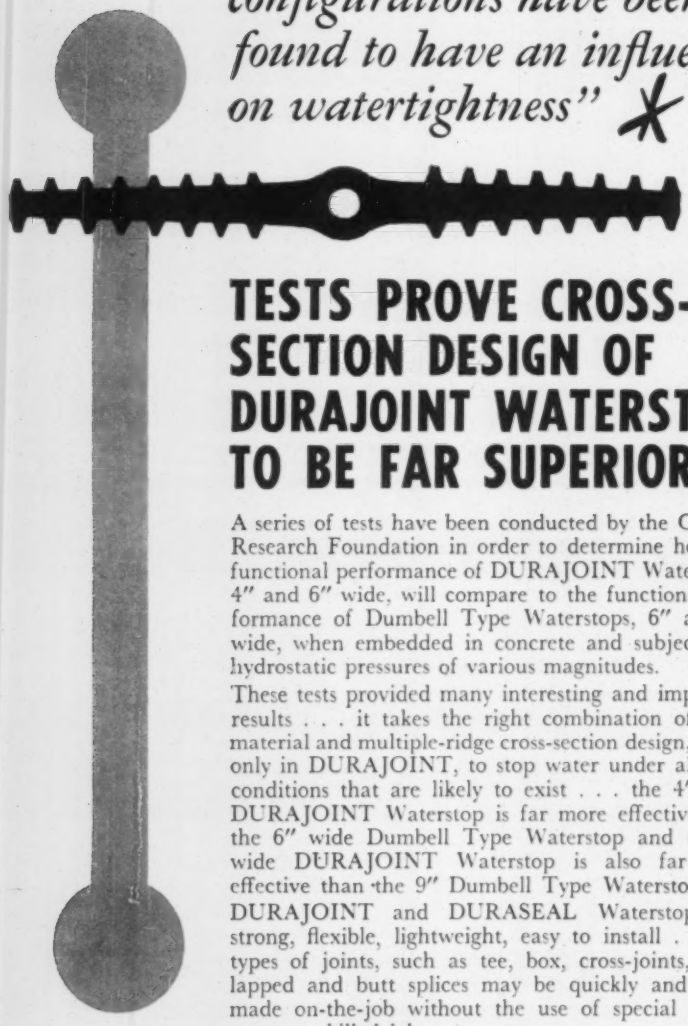

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Caracas Still Dry

New water source becomes deficient in dry season

The city of Caracas, Venezuela's capital, is in the midst of one of its worst water shortages—only 18 months after a $42 million aqueduct was installed to supply the city "for years to come" (ENR July 12, 1956, p. 61).

Now in the second consecutive low rainfall year, the older sources of supply for the city are drying up and the new pipeline is delivering only 12 mgd of its 73 mgd design capacity. The aqueduct, a 17 mile long, 48 in. dia steel line, draws water from the Tuy River and lifts it 3,475 ft to the Mariposa Reservoir outside the city. Tuy River flow, unregulated by a storage reservoir now is reduced to a mere trickle.

The National Institute of Sanitary Works selected the Tuy as the new source of water on the basis of hydrologic records covering a period of 10 years. Records show the flow dropped to a minimum of 70 cfs (46 mgd) for one month during the annual dry season (December to June). Flow was recently only 18.5 cfs.

A temporary rockfill dam on a tributary of the Tuy is scheduled to be completed in August to prevent a repetition of the shortage next year. Construction of a permanent concrete dam is expected to be started in August.

It will cost $9 million and will be 150 ft high with a storage capacity of 56,000 acre-ft—enough to assure a year-round flow of 69 mgd in the line, even if this year's record low rainfall repeats.

The Venezuela waterworks agency had planned the storage reservoir as a second stage of the Tuy project and assumed that 10 year flow records would hold up during the interim.

The start of the rainy season in June is expected to relieve the current water situation in Caracas—a situation that has resulted in strict rationing of water.

Italian Contractor Wins Hydro Job in Ethiopia

A $12 million bid to build a dam and power plant on the Auasc River at Koca, Ethiopia, has been won by an Italian firm, Impresit of Milan. Impresit now has the big Kariba project under way in Southern Rhodesia.

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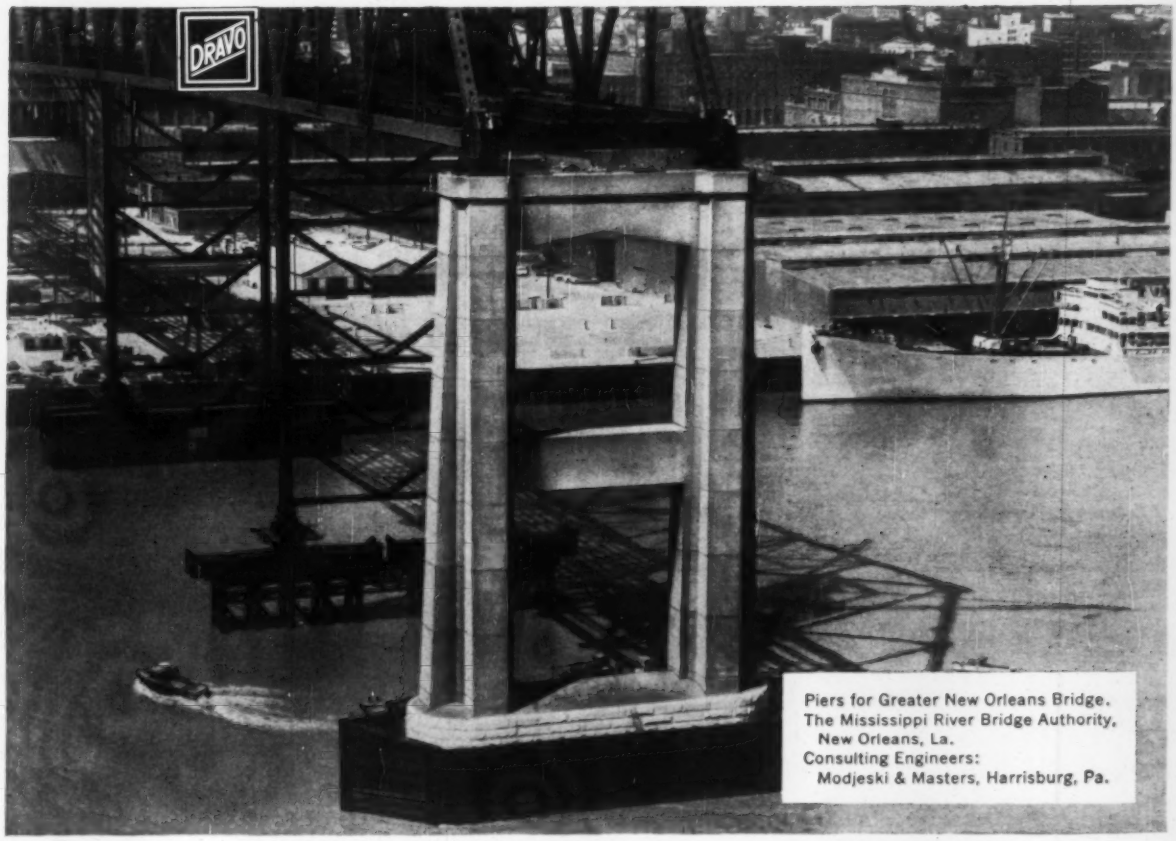

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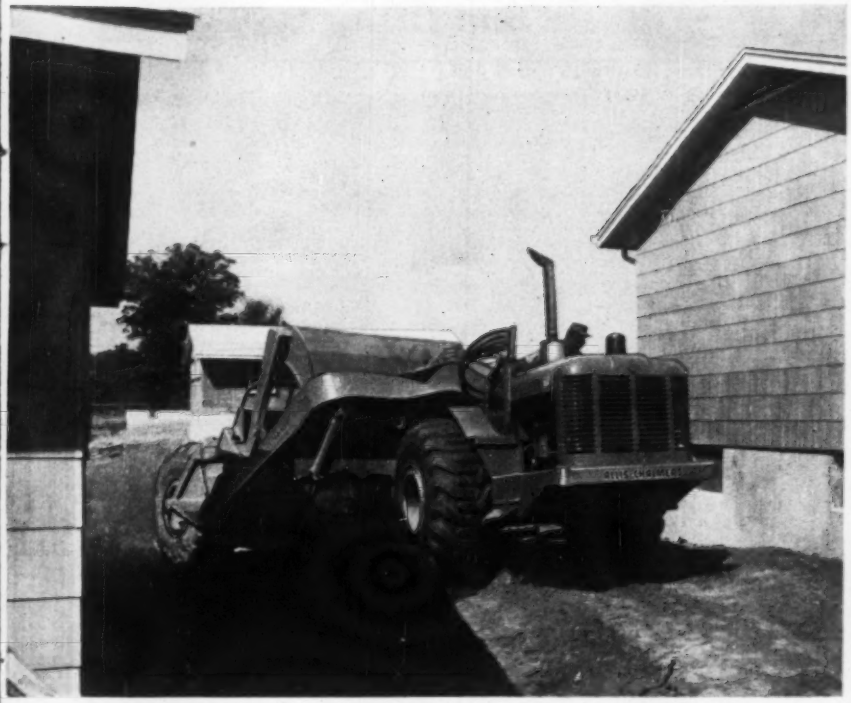

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Earth-moving operations in modern housing developments have to move fast to keep costs low . . . and to set the pace for production line methods in home construction. On the Vineyard Woods job, for instance, to maintain the building program, Perry had to average 500 cubic yards per day, hauling up to 3,000 feet.

His two Allis-Chalmers TS-160 motor scrapers handled it with plenty to spare. Self-loading, they frequently topped 1,000-yard production daily. At the same time, operating costs were cut in half compared to his previous equipment. Perry says his Allis-Chalmers motor scrapers are big producers . . . helped him finish contracts days ahead of schedule. He now bids and makes a profit on contracts he couldn't consider before.

Self-loading, compactness and maneuverability make TS-160's naturals for development work

Primary factors in Perry's choice of Allis-Chalmers TS-160's were their demonstrated high-speed and self-loading ability. However, since he's had them, other benefits have become apparent. Perry is particularly pleased with their maneuverability. They turn in less than 25 feet—a valuable timesaver in limited space on many housing development operations. Hydraulic power steering makes maneuvering in tight quarters easy and efficient.

They also save time and money between jobs . . . move on highway at up to 25.4 mph. Operator comfort and ease of handling were noted as outstanding by Perry and his crew.

Performance sold the machines... dependability proved their value

K. L. Perry checked them all when he was in the market for high-speed dirt-moving equipment. He says, "We were sold by demonstration that the Allis-Chalmers machines were best—but the real proof came with performance like we had on the Vineyard Woods development in Kansas City. We've had only routine maintenance on the machines in eight months since we bought them. They put us in position to get the 500-home Kentucky Hill job at Independence, Missouri."

This TS-160 motor scraper story is a good example of the value in talking things over with your Allis-Chalmers construction machinery dealer. He knows the earth-moving business and can help you choose the machines that will help you most. Ask him for a demonstration right on your job. Allis-Chalmers, Construction Machinery Division, Milwaukee 1, Wisconsin.

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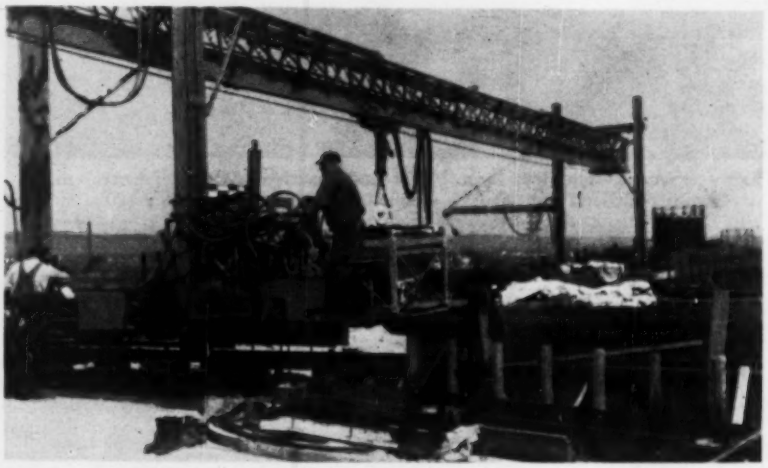

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Portable Gantry Casts Bridge Decks

A new portable traveling gantry crane casts bridge decks with a 2 cu yd concrete bucket that can reach any spot on the bridge. It is being used by Winco Constructors, Inc., a division of D. W. Winkelman Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

The machine is speeding up operations and reducing labor costs at bridges on highway contracts taken by the parent company, reports Ralph W. Woodruff, general manager.

The crane is built so that the entire load of both machine and concrete is transferred to the bridge girders by two railroad rails held on specially-designed track supports. These pipe and steel plate supports hold the tracks above all reinforcing steel and sidewalk forms during the pour. This eliminates load from the falsework and the forms that carry the deck concrete.

An overhead trolley is used to place concrete at any spot on the bridge. The entire machine travels lengthwise with the bridge and the bucket travels across on the gantry at the same time.

Two end frames are designed with steel channels and are carried on two powered wheels. Each frame, designed to carry a load of 5 tons, supports the crossing overhead crane beam and the hydraulic power unit that powers all moving parts.

The top cross beam is built of a 15 in. I-beam carried by a V-type welded pipe frame that will support 5 tons at the center on a 65 ft span. The cross beam is made up of four 11 ft 2 in. sections and one 26 ft 6 in. section. It is adjustable for any width bridge—from 20 ft to 65 ft by removing various sections. Further refinement in adjusting the width is made by sliding the

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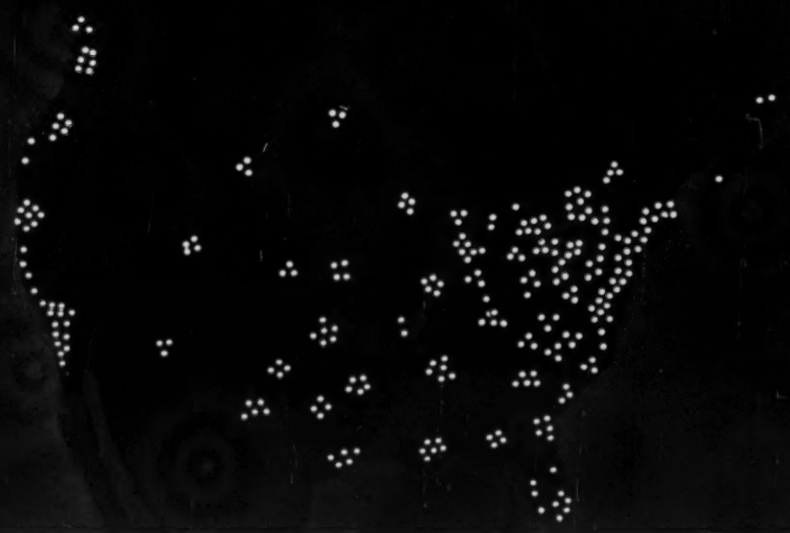

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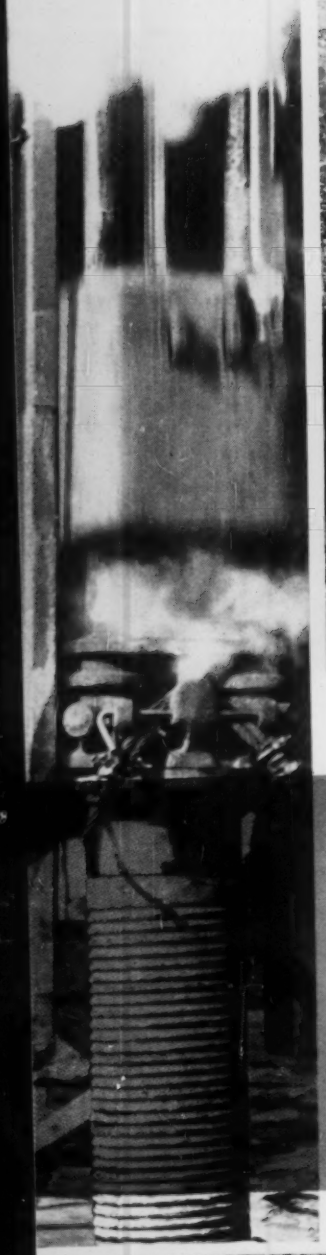

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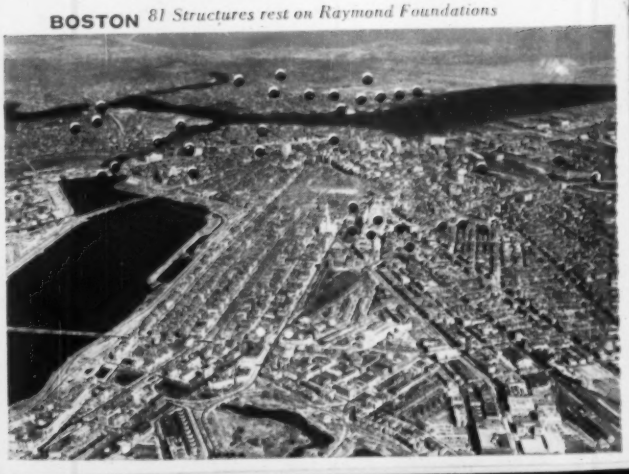

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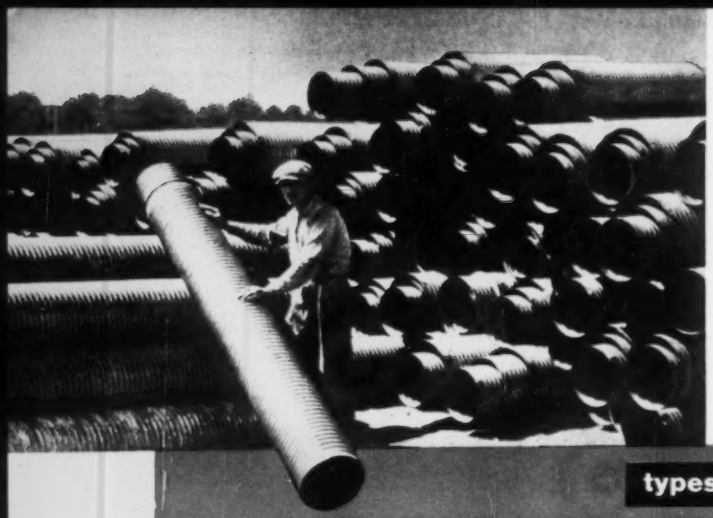

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River Model Solves Silting Problem

An exact model of the Latrobe River in Australia was built on a scale of 1:24 to find out how to stop continual silting up at the inlet to a huge paper mill pumping station.

The 1,000 yd long replica was so detailed no feature that could affect the silting was omitted. The same type of gravel and sand as in the river lined the model and flows to the actual hydrography of the river. Deflector plates in different sizes and positions were placed until, under varying flows, a maximum scour at the inlet of the intake tower was obtained.

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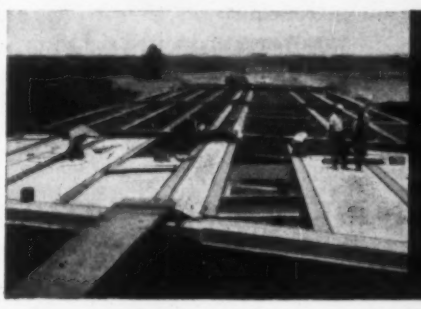

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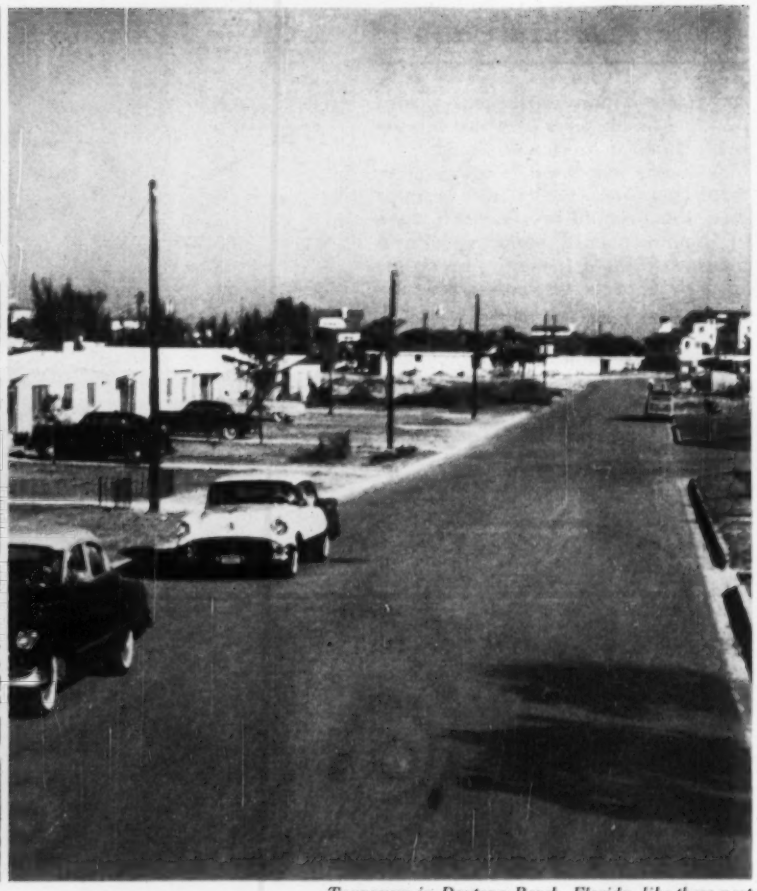

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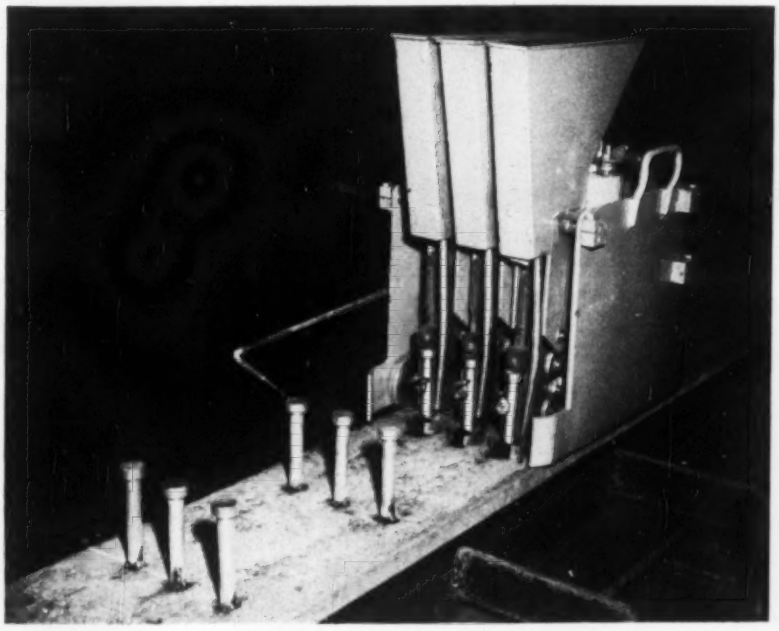

Shear Connectors Go In Fast

Stud shear connectors for composite beam construction now can be arc-welded onto bridge beam flanges with assembly-line speed, ease and accuracy either in the shop or in the field with a new welding apparatus.

From one to six stud holding elements, spaced as required across the flange, can be combined in the apparatus, which is adjustable to any flange width.

Studs are placed and locked in the holders. Measured amounts of powdered flux are deposited around the studs from hoppers. A submerged arc weld fixes the row of studs, one at a time, into the beam. Arc flash and molten metal are confined for safety.

After a row has been welded, the rig is moved on four flanged wheels to the next position. The pitch—space between rows—is marked off by an adjustable pointer extending from the side of the apparatus.

A minimum of layout time and effort is called for. Chalk marks simply are made at pitch changing locations and the pointer reset when necessary.

Another advantage claimed is that since the operator does not touch the rig during the welding period, the possibility of fracturing a weld before it has cooled is eliminated.

Removable legs are provided by the manufacturer to permit using only one element at isolated locations. A modified rig also is available for use on beam flanges bordered by concrete forms. Power source is required with the stud welder. EASTERN CONSTRUCTORS, INC., POLAND, OHIO.

Three-Axle Tandem Roller Vibrates Its Roller Unit

A machine known as the Model KX-25EV Vibrating Roller, having an independent power unit, mounts a vibrating roller between its end guide rolls. The power unit transmits power through V-belts to an eccentric axle shaft that runs through the center of the middle guide roll. This eccentric shaft turns at high speed, creating the vibrating action. A second set of bearings supports the roll and allows it to revolve freely, regardless of the travel speed developed or the vibrations per minute.

The vibrating unit is controlled from the operator's seat, vibrations per minute being regulated through the throttle and governor control cable from this position. The equipment also has a hydraulic control that permits the vibrating roll to be raised and lowered at the option of the operator. Thus the machine may be operated as long wheel base 15 to 20 ton, two-axle tandem with normal weight distribution. A steel frame mounting the engine drive has shock-absorbing bumpers and all accessories relating to the vibrating system. BUFFALO-SPRINGFIELD ROLLER CO., DIV. OF KOEHRING CO., SPRINGFIELD, OHIO.

Diesel-Centrifugal Pump Now Comes in Two Sizes

Centrifugal pumps driven by air-cooled diesel engines with enough power for 24 hour continuous operation now are available in 15,000 and 20,000 gph sizes. Operating at 1,800 rpm, both pump and engine can be expected to outlast 5 to 10 equivalent gasoline units operating at 3,200 to 3,600 rpm, according to the manufacturer.

The 3 in. pump has a built-in suction check valve and an open type impeller. The shaft is protected with a renewable shaft sleeve. A suction hose strainer is furnished with each unit and all operating parts are serviceable from the front without removing the pump body. EMPIRE CORP., 1566 S. 83 ST., MILWAUKEE 14, WIS.

Hydraulic Valve System Brakes Concrete Paver

A hydraulically operated braking system designed to reduce operator fatigue is available as optional equipment to eliminate nearly all manual maneuvering in operating dual drum paver models.

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Aluminum Clamshells Take Bigger Pay Loads

Aluminum clamshell buckets are now available for handling coal and other free-flowing materials. The obvious advantage of their use is in reducing the dead weight of the bucket and increasing the crane's pay load.

Bucket sizes range from 3 cu yd to 10 cu yd capacity. Cutting edges and surfaces exposed to rough treatment are made of steel to hold up under abuse to which buckets are subjected. OWEN BUCKET CO., 6001 BREAKWATER AVE., CLEVELAND 2, OHIO.

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Over a 50 year service life, a prestressed concrete tank will show a 75% saving in total maintenance costs over a steel tank of the same capacity. In today's economy, such a long range saving has tremendous appeal to municipalities and water companies throughout the world. When your tank requirements are in the planning stage, these calculated maintenance costs should be considered. Average yearly maintenance on a 3,000,000 gallon steel tank is estimated at $2500 per year at current prices. For a prestressed concrete tank, maintenance is negligible; however, occasional painting for color effect may be desired.

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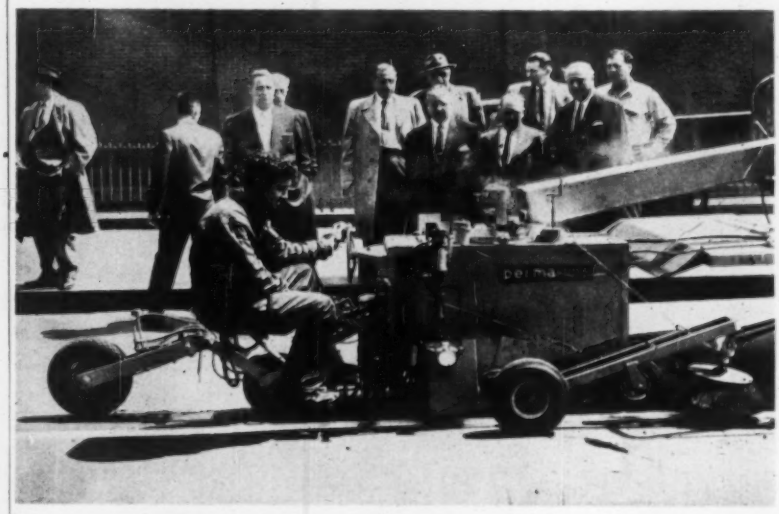

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The Perma-matic Liner is claimed to put down 25,000 lin ft of traffic lane dividing line in a normal working day. One man, riding the machine, regulates the flow of marking compound, width of line and length of each section.

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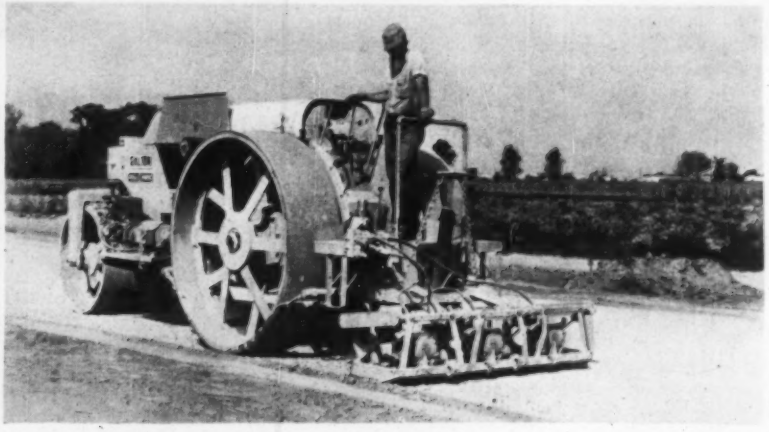

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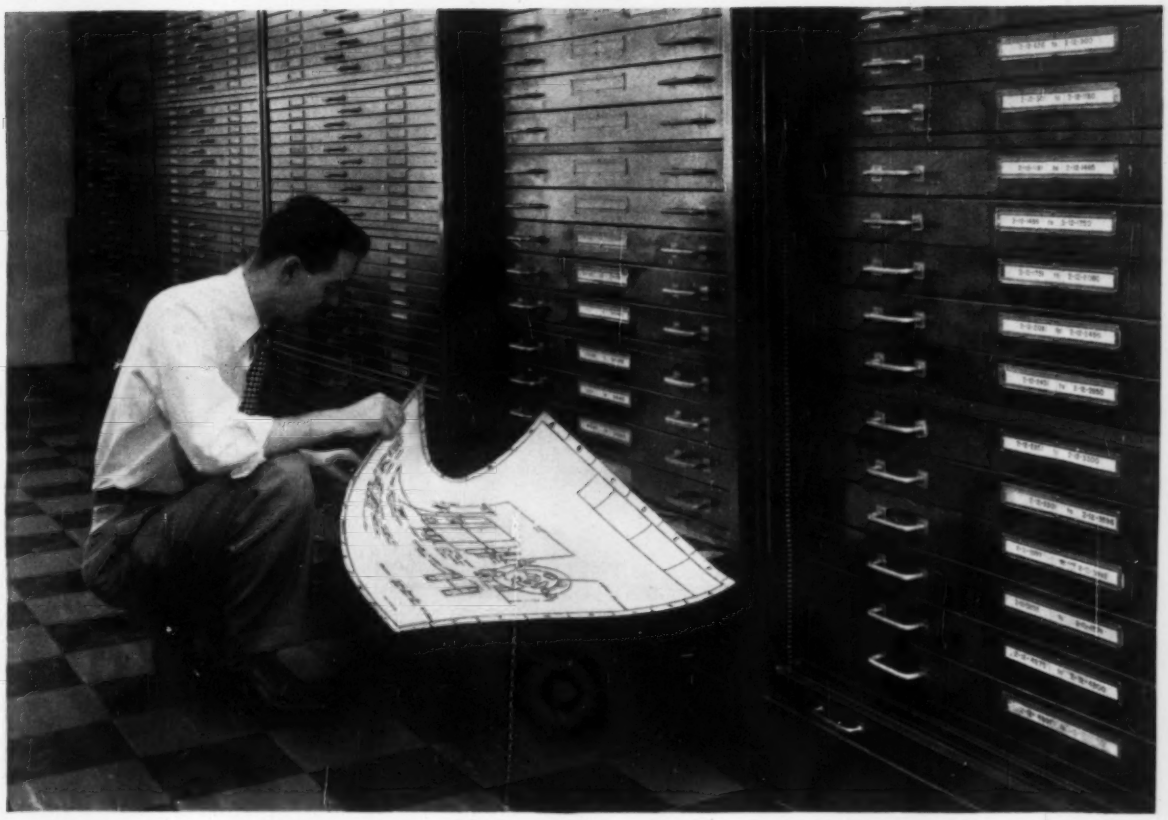

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The Kansai Electric Power Company has recently started construction of the new Kurobe No. 4 Dam on the Kurobe River, Toyama Prefecture in the heart of the Japan Alps.

The 192 meter high dam will require for completion a total of 690,000 metric tons of specification sand, all of which will be processed by four 16½ pocket Dorrco Jet Sizers. Feed to the units consists of 200 metric tons per hour of river sand and manufactured sand. Accurately sized products down to 200 mesh are dewatered and blended to a fineness modulus of 2.51.

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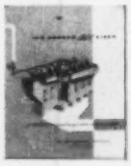

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Eight On-the-Job Changes For Multi-Purpose Loader

A multi-purpose tractor loader that can convert into eight different machines easily and quickly now is on the market. Known as the "Work Bull 1001", the equipment can be altered to serve as a loader, street sweeper, backhoe with its own backfill blade, fork lift, angle dozer, crane, rotary boom, and a loader with a scarifier attachment.

The operator can change directions without shifting by switching from one foot pedal to the other. Hydraulically actuated reversing clutches combine with an accelerator-directional foot pedal.

Power steering maneuvers the 1001, and individually controlled brakes and five-speed transmission both in forward and reverse add to precision of control. A torque converter provides extra torque when required by adjusting power automatically to meet the load.

A nitrogen accumulator cylinder serves as shock absorber for the hydraulic system when the Work Bull is loaded and going over rough terrain. MASSEY-FERGUSON INDUSTRIAL DIV., 1009 S. WEST ST., WICHITA, KAN.

New Generator Steams 150 lb in 20 Minutes

A new 52 hp portable steam generator can reach normal operating pressures in 20 minutes from a cold start, according to the manufacturer.

The machine uses two-pass down draft and has a modified scotch marine type boiler. It is designed for 163 psi and operates at 150 psi with a heating capacity of from one to three 10,000 gal tank cars.

Known as Model SG-52, it is available on either a skid mount or on a semi-trailer, with manual or fully-automatic operation. BROS. INC., ROAD MACHINERY DIV., 1057 TENTH AVE., S.E., MINNEAPOLIS, 14, MINN.

Forty-six of these all-welded wrought iron trash racks guard the entrance to four 24⅔-foot diameter water intake tunnels at the Missouri River's hydroelectric generating station, Fort Peck Dam, Montana.

Wrought Iron trash racks pass rigid inspection after twenty years use at Fort Peck Dam

The assignment was corrosive. Guard duty at the bottom of the Missouri River—twenty years of it. In a hard-to-get-at position for thorough inspection, until just recently.

That's the service record of wrought iron trash racks used to prevent powerhouse turbine damage at the hydroelectric generating station, Fort Peck Dam, Montana. And the only maintenance required—after this bout with marine-type corrosion—was a cleaning with high pressure water spray.

Briefly, here's how U. S. Army Corps of Engineers carried out the inspection. In bringing the racks to the surface for their first complete examination, divers connected lifting equipment to lifting holes in the tops of the racks. They were then removed from the tunnel intakes, raised to the surface and put ashore. After inspection (the rating was excellent), the racks resumed their tour of corrosive duty at the bottom of the muddy Missouri.

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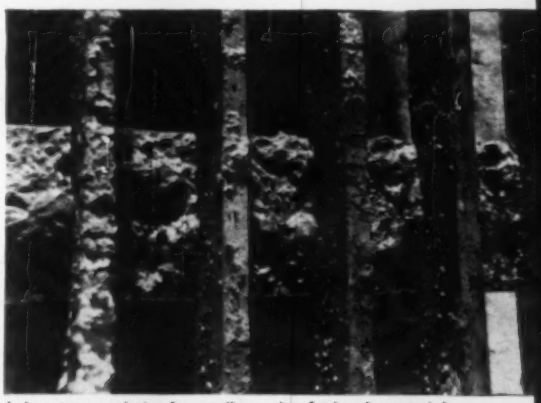

Laboratory analysis of a small sample of tubercle material which had formed on the racks revealed that at no place where the bars had been scraped were the pits under the tubercles more than ½-inch deep.

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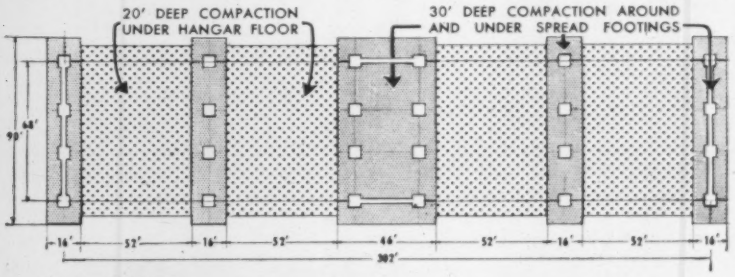

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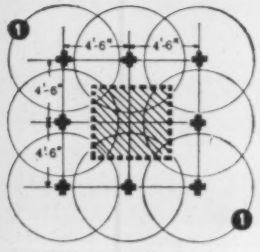
used to underpin existing foundation of an Air Force hangar in Newfoundland.



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Welding wire guide—Pocket size, indexed for quick reference to technical information on chemical composition, mechanical properties, operating procedures. 84 page booklet, ADC 573. Air Reduction Sales Co., 150 E. 42 St., New York 17, N. Y.

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Federal Tax Liens

Priority with respect to mechanics liens depends on how and when filed

Once a government tax lien is properly filed, no subsequently recorded local lien or claim can prevail against it.

The question often arises when mechanic's liens stem from a job performed by a contractor who owes the government for unpaid withholding or social security taxes. Which takes priority as a claim against money owed the contractor under the contract?

Here's the way a New York court resolved the problem:

The Fleetwood Paving Corp. owed the United States government for unpaid withholding and social security taxes. Between December, 1951, and March, 1952, the local tax collector received notice of assessments of unpaid taxes against Fleetwood. Shortly thereafter, Fleetwood, as general contractor, entered into a contract for remodeling a restaurant. In August and September of 1952, Fleetwood arranged for Home Maintenance Co. and Colonial Sand and Stone Co. to furnish labor and materials for the remodeling job.

On October 31, 1952, the United States filed a lien against Fleetwood for its unpaid taxes in the office of the clerk of the City of Mt. Vernon, where Fleetwood maintained its place of business. Some days later, having been paid only a part of what was due them, Home Maintenance and Colonial Sand filed mechanic's liens against the property, the former for $1,400, the latter for $896.25.

In June, 1953, separate suits were started by Home Maintenance and Colonial Sand to foreclose their mechanic's liens, whereupon the party for whom the work was done deposited $2,200, the amount still owing to Fleetwood, with the county clerk to the credit of both subcontractors. Upon the application of the owner, the government was substituted as the defendant in the place of the owner of the property, leaving the court to determine who had a priority to this money, the subcontractors or the government.

The trial court held that the subcontractors had a prior right to the money on the ground that the government's tax lien was ineffective since it had not been filed in the county clerk's office, the place designated by local statutes for the recording of liens against real property. This judgment was affirmed by the Appellate Division (2 A. D. 2d 747, 153 N.Y.S. 2d 270), that court holding that the money deposited by the owner was a substitute for its real property and the government had no lien on such property.

Both decisions were reversed by the Court of Appeals,[1] which held that on the basis of the controlling federal statute, as well as federal decisions construing it, the government tax lien attached to the debt owing Fleetwood and that the lien was entitled to priority.

The Court of Appeals quotes numerous cases which hold in effect that the rule is firmly established that once a government tax lien is properly filed, no subsequently recorded lien or claim can prevail against it.

(1) Aquilino v. United States, 146 N.E. 2d 774, New York Court of Appeals, Dec. 5, 1957.

General Contractor Made Whole on Default of Sub

If a subcontractor refuses without legal justification to perform the work he has agreed to do, the general contractor may employ another subcontractor and charge the defaulting sub with the increased cost, if any, of getting the work done.

A typical situation is this: Before submitting a bid for a general contract, the general contractor solicits a bid from a subcontractor who agrees to perform that part of the work if the contract is awarded to the general contractor. After the award, the sub refuses to undertake the work. Another sub has to be found. The new sub may charge more than the original estimate.

This is what happened in an unreported New York case. Original sub had agreed to do the lathing and plastering work on a high school project in Poughkeepsie for $35,397. After his default, the work was completed for $50,000 by another subcontractor.

The general contractor sued the original sub for damages and recovered the difference between the two amounts.

These summaries of court decisions are prepared by I. Vernon Werbin, Esq., New York attorney and licensed professional engineer, who is author of the following books published by McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc.; *Legal Phases of Construction Contracts; Legal Guide for Constructors, Architects and Engineers;* and *Legal Cases for Contractors, Architects and Engineers.*

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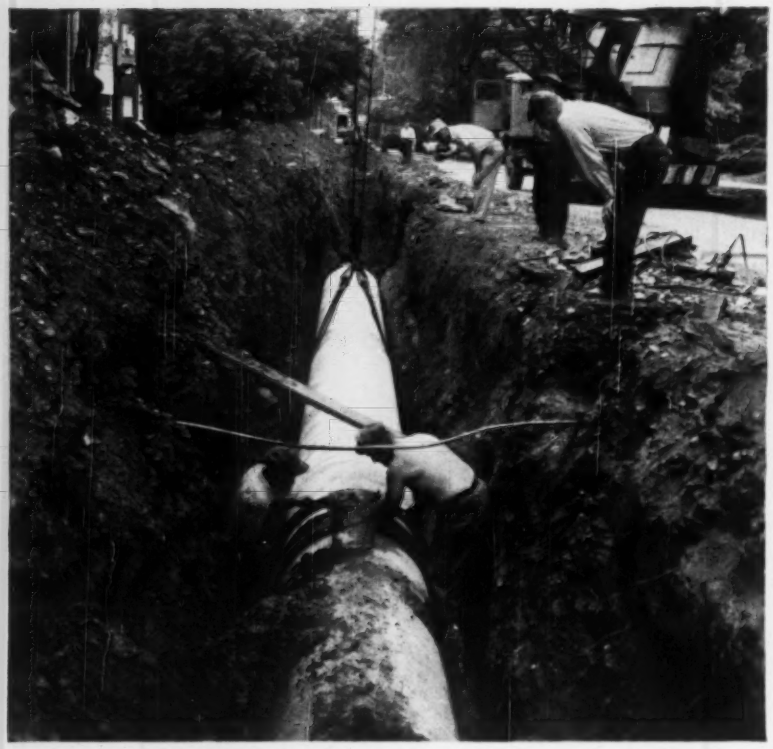

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Doughty Is Chief Engineer Of Pacific Bridge Company

S. Clifford Doughty has been named chief engineer of Pacific Bridge Co., West Coast engineering contractors.

Mr. Doughty has been on the PB engineering staff for 5 years. He was previously with Guy F. Atkinson Co. on Pine Flat Dam and Folsom Powerhouse; with Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp. on Folsom Dam and Chesapeake Bay Bridge; and with Spencer, White & Prentis on Chain-of-Rocks Lock.

PHS Names Harry Hanson Assistant Surgeon General

Harry G. Hanson, director of the Public Health Service's Taft Sanitary Engineering Center, Cincinnati, has been promoted to assistant surgeon general. He has been director of the Taft Center since its formation in 1954.

Mr. Hanson is a graduate of North Dakota State College and holds a master's degree from Harvard University. He has been a commissioned officer of PHS since 1942. He was state sanitary engineer in North Dakota for several years before entering the PHS; and was assistant chief of the Service's sanitary engineering division before assuming direction of the Taft Center.

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Business

E. F. Liebrecht has been elected president of Kellogg International Corp., a subsidiary of M. W. Kellogg Co., New York City, an international engineering and construction firm. Mr. Liebrecht, who will continue as a vice

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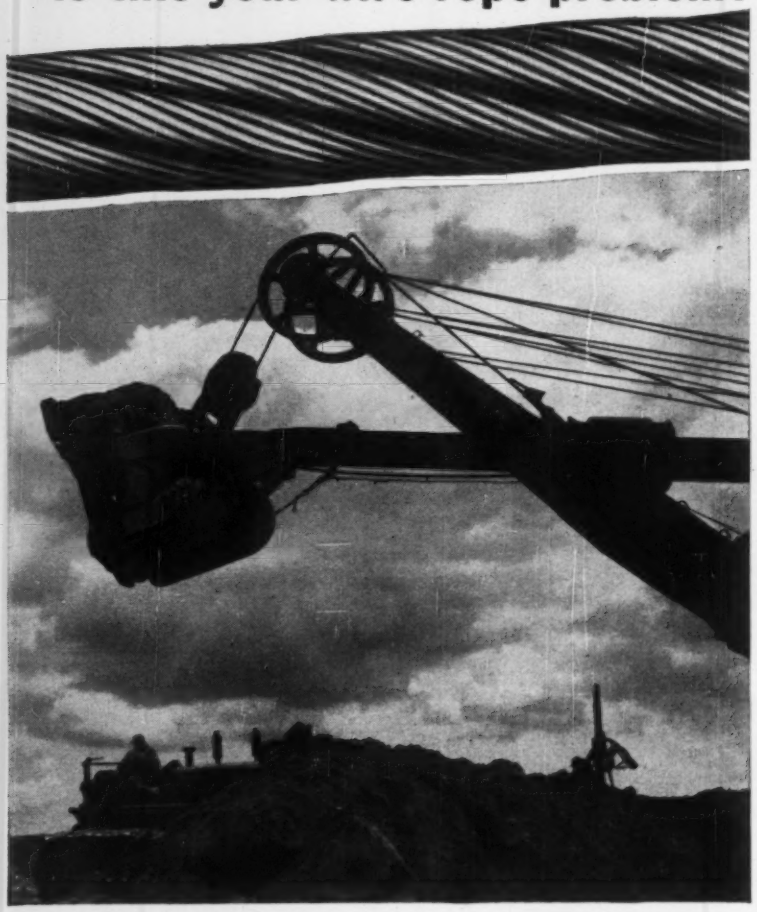

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president of M. W. Kellogg Co., will establish his office at Kellogg House, London. He also was elected president of Societe Kellogg and will be responsible for directing this Kellogg subsidiary in France.

Daniel Koffler & Associates has opened an office for the practice of structural, mechanical and sanitary engineering in New Castle, Del.

Public Works

Horace E. Horton has been named project construction engineer in charge of completing work on the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation's $47 million Solano project in northern California.

L. P. Staman has resigned as Tacoma, Wash., director of public works and will return to private consulting practice. **Myron Calkins**, city engineer, has been named acting director.

Herbert B. Elder, resident engineer at The Dalles Dam on the Columbia River throughout all of its construction stages, has been named resident engineer for construction of the $350 million John Day Dam.

William O. Comella has been named Wyoming division engineer for the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads. He was formerly district engineer in Columbus, Ohio, for BPR.

Joseph M. Fox, formerly eastern area engineer for the Pennsylvania Railroad, is named bridge engineer for the Delaware State Highway Department, replacing **Joe S. Robinson**, who has been promoted to assistant chief engineer of the department.

Aldo J. Benedetti became superintendent of the Tacoma water division June 1, succeeding **J. A. Kuehl**, who retired after more than 30 years in the department.

Education

William W. Hagerty, dean of the School of Engineering at the University of Delaware since 1955, has resigned. He will leave the university in September to become dean of engineering at the University of Texas in Austin. Upon Dean Hagerty's departure, **Lyle G. Clark**, chairman of the department of mechanical engineering, will become acting dean of engineering.

Associations

A. I. Savin, Hartford, Conn., was elected president of the New England Road Builders Association at its annual meeting.

Robert E. Kirch, field representative for Master Builders of Iowa, has been selected new manager of the Wisconsin Chapter of the Associated General Contractors of America, Inc. He succeeds the late **J. Harry Green**, Janesville, Wis.

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Vehicular Trench Tunnel, Louisiana

Under intercoastal waterway, construction must proceed without interrupting waterway traffic

This 960 ft vehicular tunnel in Houma, Terrebonne Parish, La., for the Louisiana State Highway Dept., will be built in an excavated trench. The $5,999,062 contract with Baltimore Contractors, Inc., Baltimore, Md., is 17.5% below the second and almost 22% below the high of three bids. It is 13.3% above the engineers' estimate. Fromherz Engineers, New Orleans, La., and Singstad & Baillie, New York City, are the consultants. R. B. Richardson is director of the State Highway Dept. at Baton Rouge, La., and C. C. Bernard is project control engineer.

Tunnel length is 959.83 ft, roadway approaches 862.2 ft; open ramps 723.79 and 733.45 ft, for a total of 3,279.3 lin ft, at an average cost of $1,829.40 per ft. Exterior of tunnel is 21 ft 10 in. high and 36 ft 2¾ in. wide. Interior is 14 ft 1¼ in. high and 30 ft 3 in. wide, with two 11 ft 6 in. roadway lanes and a 4 ft walkway.

Tunnel construction is reinforced concrete, with waterproof membrane and steel jacket completely encasing the portion below water level. The contractor must dredge a channel bypass and conduct his operations in such a way as not to interrupt waterway traffic.

Wrought iron pipe is ASTM designation A72.

Wages in New Orleans include: carpenters, $2.90; structural iron workers, $3.275; power crane & shovel operators, $3.10; common laborers, $1.65.

1C Baltimore Contr., Inc., Baltimore, Md.	$5,999,062
2 Brown & Root, Inc., Houston, Tex.	7,274,883
3 Boh Bros. Constr. Co., New Orleans, La.	7,666,040
EE Fromherz Engineers, New Orleans, La. and Singstad & Baillie, NYC	5,295,239

Bids: 4-23-58 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Prices 1C	2
Dredging channel bypass	cy	31,500	$1.00	$2.10
Excavation, tunnel, trench	cy	135,000	12.20	16.00
Piles, untr timb, w/anchor	lf	230,000	2.50	1.80
without anchor	lf	56,000	1.80	1.50
tr timb, without anchor	lf	61,600	1.80	2.10
Test piles, timber, unloaded	ea	15	300.00	1,080
loading	ea	15	1,400	1,600
Conc, cl A	cy	38,000	30.00	38.00
cl D	cy	25	50.00	112.00
cl S	cy	10,000	25.00	28.00
Reinf steel, deformed	lb	4,200,000	0.14	0.13
wire mesh	lb	24,000	0.14	0.18
Pneumatic mortar	sf	129,000	0.45	0.80
Waterprfg, 4-ply membrane	sy	1,700	2.70	7.25
cement coat	ls	job	1,500	4,044
Steel, fabricated carbon	lb	3,125,000	0.15	0.24
Iron castings	lb	25,500	0.33	0.28
Steel castings	lb	11,000	0.35	0.37
Galv stl pipe rail, tp A	lf	1,650	8.60	10.50
tp B	lf	360	6.00	8.80
tp C	lf	250	8.30	8.50
Stair rail tp D	lf	150	68.00	24.50
Guard rail	lf	200	16.00	6.50
Ingot iron doors	ea	3	180.00	940.00
Steel expansion jts	lb	11,600	0.20	1.50
Name letters, tunnel	ls	job	7,000	9,300
Pipe rail, vitr enam ctd	lf	950	14.00	13.50
Copper drains	lb	900	3.00	4.25
Exhaust air ports	ea	10	130.00	165.00

Bids 4-23-58 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Prices 1C	2
Split vitr pipe gutt lining, 12" & over	lf	1,450	4.00	4.40
10" & under	lf	1,450	3.00	3.00
Tile, cer glzd, ceiling	sf	27,500	2.00	2.50
wall	sf	28,300	1.53	2.50
extra wall & ceiling	ls	job	550.00	4,600
Cmt mortar ceiling coves	lf	1,870	0.60	2.30
bases	lf	3,750	0.30	0.70
Doors & frames, niche, tp A	ea	10	275.00	475.00
tp B	ea	6	275.00	475.00
tp C	ea	8	275.00	580.00
tp D	ea	11	60.00	160.00
Roadway lane markers	lf	4,650	6.00	4.00
Ventilation bldg	ls	job	50,000	90,400
Piping, water supply	ls	job	36,000	33,000
plumbing & sanitary	ls	job	2,800	3,500
drainage	ls	job	45,000	47,000
Ventilation	ls	job	50,000	34,000
Pumping	ls	job	50,000	44,500
Electrical work	ls	job	282,000	341,000
Plaques & signs	ls	job	1,250	4,000
Excavation, common	cy	15,364	0.60	1.00
drainage	cy	348	1.00	2.00
spec borrow	cy	6,300	4.50	2.60
Watering	Mgal	26	2.00	4.00
Seeding	lb	77	3.00	4.00
Fertilizer, comm, 8-8-8	lb	4,104	0.10	0.25
Base crse, shldrs, clam & reef shell	cy	620	4.75	6.00
soil cement	sy	9,268	1.10	1.50
Surf crse, ramps, clam shl	cy	182	3.50	6.00
Bituminous primer	gal	2,278	0.25	0.50
Asphalt cement	gal	7,987	0.25	1.00
Aggregate, coarse, size 1	cy	172	4.50	9.25
fine, size 2	cy	101	4.00	10.00
seal coat, size 3	cy	68	15.00	9.25
PCC Pavement, 8" uniform	sy	361	5.00	6.00
9" uniform	sy	11,777	5.40	6.00
Conc, cl A	cy	3	75.00	100.00
Reinf steel, deformed	lb	176	0.25	0.25
RCC pipe, 12"	lf	885	4.65	5.20
15"	lf	302	5.44	5.00
18"	lf	980	7.50	9.50
24"	lf	659	10.00	10.00
Fence, new comb mesh & BW	sta	4	5.50	330.00
Gate, single swinging walk	ea	4	15.00	132.00
dble swinging drwy	ea	2	60.00	330.00
Conc post rt of way marker	ea	20	10.00	64.00
Catch basin	ea	11	150.00	300.00
Manholes	ea	5	300.00	300.00
Drop inlets	ea	14	200.00	300.00
Conc curb, integral, 4"	lf	3,640	0.75	1.50
driveover, tp A	lf	875	0.80	1.20
tp B, 6" barrier	lf	768	0.75	1.50
tp C, 5" barrier	sy	258	0.80	2.00
Old walks remove	lf	608	1.25	0.75
curb remove	sy	920	4.50	6.55
PCC walks, 4"	sy	103	5.25	9.00
6"	ls	job	3,000	4,600
Signs & barricades	cy	845	4.50	8.40
Sand	ls	job	82,500	143,200
Utilities, remov & reloc	ls	job	10,350	12,700
Bldgs & misc strs, remov & dispose of				

Complete 400 cal days. Liq dam: actual Hwy Dept. costs.

Delaware Highway Prices

Average Unit Price Bids on 1957 Contracts

	Unit	No. Jobs	Unit Prices Avg.	Range
Excavation, common	cy	21	$0.67	$0.50–$1.60
Borrow	cy	15	0.95	0.50– 1.50
selected	cy	22	1.33	0.75– 2.80
Excavation for structures	cy	10	4.55	1.25– 10.00
Quarry screenings	t	2	3.89	3.00– 4.25
Bit surf treat, RC-1 RC-3	gal	19	0.165	0.125– 0.50
Stone and crushed chips	t	18	6.11	5.75– 10.00
Hot mix asph concrete	t	21	9.65	6.80– 15.00
Cement conc pavement	cy	9	24.22	19.30– 29.00
base course	cy	7	27.04	19.30– 29.00
pavement ...patch	sy	16	10.55	7.00– 15.00
Concrete masonry	cy	14	77.76	45.00–125.00
Bar reinforcement	lb	10	0.15	0.12– 0.16
Wire mesh reinforcement	sy	8	5.77	5.00– 6.30
Structural steel	lb	2	0.19	0.19– 0.20
Macadam, waterbound	t	9	4.96	4.40– 7.25
Wood shoulder curb	lf	6	0.64	0.60– 0.75
Wire rope guard fence	lf	10	1.99	1.80– 2.20
End post attachments	ea	10	45.11	40.00– 50.00
RC pipe, 24"	lf	10	6.25	6.00– 7.70
24"	lf	5	8.53	6.25– 12.95

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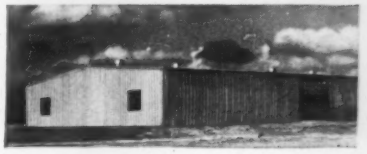

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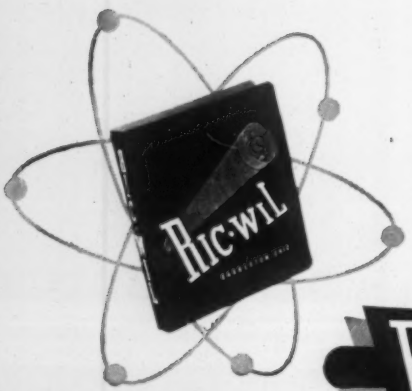

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Materials and Labor Prices

Monthly Market Quotations by ENR Field Reporters

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- Iron and Steel Products: Last, Jun. 12; Next, July. 17
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CEMENT, AGGREGATE, READY-MIXED CONCRETE—F. O. B. CITY

	PORTLAND CEMENT* Per bbl. C/L lots cash, dis. not deducted			SAND AND GRAVEL Per ton, carload lots			CRUSHED STONE Per ton, carload lots		CRUSHED SLAG Per ton, carload lots, f.o.b. plant		CONCRETE BLOCK 8x8x16-in.* truckload del.* per block		CONCRETE Ready Mixed 1:2:4 del. 80 cy & over
	Paper	Bulk	Mortar	Gravel, 1½ in.	Gravel, ¾ in.	Sand	1½ in.	¾ in.	1½ in.	¾ in.	Sand grav.	Lt. wgt. agg.	
Atlanta	$4.35am	$3.95am	$3.60m	$3.10	$3.10	$2.50‡	$2.18	$2.33	$1.65	$1.75	$0.175	$ .21	$14.50g
Baltimore	3.90a	3.80a	3.32a	2.80‡a	2.80‡a	2.25‡a	2.85‡a	2.90‡a	2.05‡a	2.00‡a	.18a	.18a	13.10/13.60
Birmingham	4.23	3.30f		2.53n	2.53n	2.13n	2.75	2.75	1.55	1.65	.18	.18	12.55
Boston	5.80ei	4.50g	4.67e	3.00am	3.00am	3.00am	1.75am	1.85am	....	....	.23	.275a	15.00h
Chicago	4.13ag	3.87a	3.90/3.95	3.78‡b	3.78‡b	4.13‡b	3.95‡b	3.95‡b	2.25‡	2.25‡	.25	.25b	13.50
Cincinnati	4.70c	4.15e	4.20c	2.29‡c	2.34‡c	2.34‡c	3.64‡c	3.64‡c	1.89	1.89	.19	.34a	13.25
Cleveland	N.A. in C.L.	....	3.90c	2.25ef	2.10f	1.75	4.50‡a	4.50‡a	3.45‡a	3.45‡a	....	.22	16.15
Dallas	3.75a	3.25a	3.63	2.65	2.70	1.90	2.43	2.63	....	....	....	.27	12.00
Denver	4.79a	4.29a	4.79	1.90	2.05	1.20‡b	....	....	....	....	.22	.345a	10.70
Detroit	4.25a	3.75ag	3.72ag	4.50‡b	4.50‡b	4.25	3.75‡	3.75‡	3.50‡	3.50‡	.34	.27a	14.40
Kansas City	4.23a	3.83a	4.10a	....	....	1.70‡a	2.00‡a	2.00‡a	....	....	.22a	.26e	13.50
Los Angeles	5.12‡h	4.65‡h	5.60	2.56‡a	2.76‡a	2.41‡a	2.41‡a	2.46‡a	....	....	.17/m	.285m	12.96‡h
Minneapolis	4.44a	4.04a	4.10a	2.70‡ag	2.70‡ag	1.60‡ag	3.75‡g	3.75‡ag	....	....	.19	....	14.30f
Montreal	3.36d	3.11d	3.72	1.90‡a	2.15‡a	2.25‡a	1.90‡s	2.15‡s	2.00	2.00	.20	.28a	10.80eh
New Orleans	4.06a	3.65a	3.85	2.45	2.45	2.09	....	....	1.45	1.65	.275	....	14.00
New York	4.83a	4.42a	3.72	3.20bk	3.20bk	2.30bk	3.100bl	3.10bl	....	....	.235n	.270b	17.40an
Philadelphia	4.57‡a	4.16‡a	3.61‡	2.85‡a	2.85‡a	2.35‡a	2.70‡	2.80‡	2.00	2.35	.25/.32	....	14/15do
Pittsburgh	5.65bjk	4.62bj	5.00bjl	2.60aq	2.60aq	3.00aq	2.00s	2.00s	2.20	2.20	.26	.28	15.80
St. Louis	4.16/4.48e	3.76/4.08e	3.86/4.18	3.25am	3.10am	2.40/3.10am	1.65j	1.75j	....	....	.24	.30s	12.65/13.15
San Francisco	4.09e	3.69e	4.53e	2.02	2.02	2.12	2.17	2.17	....	....	.24	.28el	13.00e
Seattle	4.22a	3.70a	4.40a	4.25‡bm	4.25‡bm	4.25‡bm	4.50‡bm	4.50‡bm	....	....	.26	.37c	13.90t
Toronto	4.00a	3.84a	4.00a	2.40‡	2.40‡	2.05‡	2.20	2.20	2.20	2.20	26	.275e	15.25

‡ Delivered. * Prices incl. dealers discount except as noted.

CEMENT: *a Less 10¢ disc, 15 days. *b Less 2% disc, 15 days. *c Less 10¢ disc, 10 days. *d Truckload lots, deliv. 10¢ disc, 20 days. *e Truckload lots *f Fob mill, add 14.58 to $21.31 per car switching charges *g fob mill + freight *h LCL. *i Less 2% disc, 10 days *j Truck lots, fob yard *k 100 bag lots *l over 150 sacks *m Incl. 4¢ Ga. frt. increase

SAND GRAVEL, STONE & SLAG: *a Truck lots. *b Per cu. yd. *c 5 tons or more. *e ½". *f Pea gravel. *g Less 5% for cash. *h Less than 5 tons. *i Plus 5% mun. & prov. tax *j F.o.b. quarry. *k Barge lots add. *l F.o.b. scow Hudson river. *m Less 2% for cash. *n F.o.b. cars. *q fob yard

CONCRETE BLOCK: *a Cinder *b Waylite. *c Haydite. *d Celocrete *e 8¼ x 8 x 12 in. *f 8 x 4 x 16. *g F.o.b. truck at job. *i F.o.b. plant San Rafael. *m F.o.b. yard. *n 8 x 8 x 16.

READY MIXED CONCRETE: *a 5 cu. yds. or over del. Man. *b 25 cu. yds or more. *c 10–100 cy. brackets. *d 1–3 mi. zone. *e 2,000 lb comp. *f 2,500 lb. comp. *g Less 25¢ disc, 15 days. *h Less 50¢ for cash. *i 5% off for cash. *j 2% off for cash. *k Federal tax included. Add 5% mun. & prov. *l 1:2½:3½. *m F.o.b. yard. *n Plus escalator clause. *o Add 15¢ for ea. add'l 1-mi zone.

CASH DISCOUNTS CEMENT to Contractors: Truck delivery, 2% for cash on 10th of month; on carload deliveries, no trucking, same as dealer cash discount 10¢ per bbl. for payment within 18 days of date of invoice. Subject discount 10¢ per bbl. 20 days in Montreal.

CURRENT MAXIMUM PRICES AT CEMENT MILLS

Charge for bags not included. For paper bags add 40¢ per bbl., not refundable

	Bulk		Bulk		Bulk		Bulk		Bulk
Richard City, Tenn	$3.45†	Buffington, Ind	$3.40†	Steelton, Minn	$3.45†	Muskegon, Mich	$3.45†	Toledo, O	$3.45†
Clinchfield, Ga	3.45†	Independence, Kan	3.25†	Leeds, Ala	3.30†	Saginaw, Mich	3.45†	Milwaukee, Wis	3.50†
Kingsport, Tenn	3.45†	Hannibal, Mo	3.35†	Duluth, Minn	3.45†	Wyandotte, Mich	3.45†	Green Bay, Wis	3.50†
West Des Moines, Iowa	3.50†	Northampton, Pa	3.35†	Hudson, N. Y.	3.35†	Buffalo, N. Y	3.55†	Ironton, O	3.45†
Nazareth, Pa	3.35†	Universal, Pa	3.60†	Alpena, Mich	3.35†	Oswego, N. Y	3.60†	Montreal City	2.56†
Bath, Pa	3.35†	Waco, Tex. (+ 10¢ tax)	3.35†	Detroit, Mich	3.45†	Cleveland, O	3.50†	W. Winfield, Pa	3.60†
Lesley, Pa	3.35†	Glant, S. C	3.45†	Howes Cave, N. Y	3.35†	Alsen, N. Y.	3.35†	Security, Md	3.35†

† *Prices to hold for first quarter of 1958.*

PAVING BRICK, BLOCK, ASPHALT, ROAD OILS—F. O. B. CITY

	PAVING BRICK AND BLOCK			PAVING ASPHALT Per ton, less than 80 penetration		ASPHALT BINDERS—FLUXES Per gal., 80–300 penetration		CUTBACK ASPHALT MC per ton		ROAD OIL Per gal.	ASPHALT EMULSION RSI Per gal.	
	Granite Per M lots of 50,000 4x4x8 in.	Brick per M 3x4x8½ in. carload lots	Wood per sq. yd. 3½ in. 16-lb. treat	Tank car	Drums	Tank car	Drums	Tank car	Drums	Tank car	Tank car	Drums
Atlanta	....	....	....	$30.50	$45.00	$0.15	$0.26	$0.125Pw	$0.28Pw	$0.14	$0.125	$0.30
Baltimore	150.00‡	....	....	23.00i	....	.095i	0.185i	.10iwE	.19iwE	.10i	.105i	0.195i
Birmingham	....	66.00i	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Boston	....	....	....	22.00ap	46.00ap	.22a	.46a	.105aFw	.24aFw	.105ao	.174aGo	.235aGo
Chicago	150.00‡	90.00‡b	3.95/4.00‡f	21.20b	31.20b	20.40bs	30.40bs	.975bwH	.1775bwH	.080b	....	....
Cincinnati	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Cleveland	....	89.50d	6.30g	25.00A	....	25.00Ae	....	.1115AwF	....	....	.1180AG	.21AG
Dallas	e	40.78	e	26.35	45.39	.1116	.1944	29.85	51.40	.1080	.1116	.1944
Denver	....	58.00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Detroit	....	116.00	....	33.05	....	32.45e	....	13.50l	....	.1133	....	.28
Kansas City	e	e	e	16.80d	....	16.80e	....	.0825cwJ	....	.06c	0.125c	....
Los Angeles	e	....	e	22.50dmx	....	22.50dxz	....	24.00dz K	....	23.00dz	.103Sj	.203Sj
Minneapolis	....	....	3.73h	26.00	....	29.50e	....	0.115we	....	0.105	.125	....
Montreal	e	e	e	32.50n	44.80n	.176n	.226n	18.70nuE	23.70nuE	.154n	.242ns	.27ns
New Orleans	....	....	....	20.00e	.... e	20.00ex	.... e	.095ew	.... o	.085B	.095BL	.1905B
New York	....	....	3.50f	20.99m	42.94m	20.99nt	40.94nt	9.61uF	19.01uF	....	9.68u	19.11u
Philadelphia	175.185	110.120	4.06	24.00	....	24.00	....	11uF	....	.105	....	....
Pittsburgh	60.00k	99.12ln	6.35	32.40i	....	32.40iv	....	1411i	....	.14‡	1411i	....
St. Louis	....	....	....	19.74f	....	.1825	....	0893fwM	....	0.165	.825	....
San Francisco	....	70.00c	....	24.50g	41.50g	24.50gkv	41.50gkv	24.50gN	43.00gN	25.25sg	25.50yv	.2063yk
Seattle	....	....	....	27.00z	42.00A	27.50z	....	28.50K	....	26.25kv	25.50kv	47.10krv
Toronto	....	135.00	4.50f	40.10	59.38	0.2005	0.2445	0.214w	0.258w	0.198	0.216	.271

‡ Delivered.

PAVING BRICK & BLOCK: *b 3 x 3¾ x 8. *c 2¼ x 8¼ x 4. *d LCL, truck deliveries. *e Not used. *f 2" interior 6# treat. *g 3". *h 2" tr, 8#. *i 3 x 3 x 8½. *j 2½", 6 lb. tr. *k Used. *l Redshale; *m Pine; oak $6.57. *n Truck del.

ASPHALTS: *a Price at plant, Everett, Mass. *b F.o.b. refinery, Lockport, Ill. *c F.o.b. Sugar Creek, Mo. *d F.o.b. refinery, El Segunda. *e F.o.b. Baton Rouge. *f F.o.b. Hartford, Ill. *g F.o.b. Richmond, Calif. *h F.o.b. Martinez. *i F.o.b. refinery, Baltimore. *j F.o.b. refinery, Inglewood, Calif. *k 50–110 penetr. *l Less than 100 penetr. *m 40/300 penetr. *n Fed. tax included; add 5% for mun. & prov. *o Drums not avail. Shipped in steel bbl. *p 80/70 penetr. *r In customer's drums. *s Shipped in drums, per drum. *t 150/300 penetr. *u Per 100 gal. *v Per ton. *w Per gal. *x Also tank trucks. *y F.o.b. Oakland. *z F.o.b. Edmonds. *A F.o.b. refinery, Cleveland. *B F.o.b. Destrehan, La. *E RC. *F Also RC. *G Also MS, SS. *H RC 0-5 incl. *I MC 4. *J MC, RC $0.095 *K MC 3,4,& 5. *L MS. *M MC 1-5, RC 1-5, $0.106. *N MC 3. *O Truckload. *P F.o.b. refinery Savannah: $0.09/gal., tank cars: $0.20/gal., drums. *Q F.o.b. Eldorado, Ark.

Construction Reports

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NEW ENGLAND

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

† **N. H., Portsmouth**—BA About 7/22—U. S. Eng., 562 Congress St., Portland, Me., constr. roads, FY 56, Pease Air Force Base, ENG-19-016-59-1. $100,000-$200,000. Plans deposit $10. CD 9/17.

▲† **Vt., Winooski**—SAC MISSILE FACILITY—BA About 8/7—U. S. Eng., 310 State St., Springfield, Mass., constr. SAC missile facility (FY-58) Ethan Allen Air Force Base. $3,000,000-$4,000,000. Plans deposit $50. CD 9/19.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

VERMONT—State Hy. Dpt., State Office Bldg., Montpelier, bids opened 6/20,

Vt.—Lambert Constr. Co., Inc., Box 488, White River Jn., Vt. LB **$575,438** grading, 2 span composite WF beam bridge U.S. Rte. 4; the Rutland-Sherburne Rd. beginning approx. 0.830 mi. NE of the Rutland-Mendon Town line and extend. easterly 1.531 mi. DF 020-2 (4) Mendon;

Vt.—S. V. Rossi Constr. Co., Inc., 49 McDermott Ave., Torrington, Conn. LB **$187,055** grading, etc. U.S. Rte. No. 7 the Rutland-Bennington Rd. beginning approx. 2.192 mi. north of the Dorset-Manchester Town Line and extend. northerly 1.127 mi. DF-019-2 (8) Dorset. CD 6/12.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲† **Kirkland Constr. Co.**, 209 Bent St., Cambridge, Mass., LB **$1,480,790**, MISSILE MASTER FACILITY at Fort Heath. ENG-19-016-58-190, WINTHROP, MASS. U. S. Eng., 150 Causeway St., Boston, Mass. Bids June 26. CD 6/9.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **N. Y., New York**—SCHOOL—BA 7/29—Bd. Educ., 45-12 Crescent St., Long Island City, general constr., plumbing and drainage, heating, ventilating, electrical work and lighting fixtures Public School 132, East 168th St. between Washington and Park Aves., Bronx Boro. $2,300,000. Plans deposit $25, general, $10 each for trades. CD 9/23.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., The Gov. Alfred E. Smith State Office Bldg., Albany, bids opened June 26,

N. Y.—Dyer-Fitts Constr. Co., Inc., Box 738, Binghamton, N. Y. LB **$103,918**, est. $109,000. (2 bidders) resurf. 0.86 mi. section Court St. Arterial (Rte. 17 and 11) in Binghamton, starting at city's east line and extending westward, Broome Co.

N. Y.—Perini Corporation, 13 Mt. Watte Ave., Framingham, Mass. LB **$5,653,280**, est. $8,009,000 (1 bidder) constr. 4.7 mi. four-lane divided section of Northway near Plattsburgh and 9.69 mi. access roads at Rugar St. on southwest of outskirts of city and extending northeastward around city to point north of city near present intersection of Cumberland Head Rd. and Moffitt Rd. just west Rte. 9, Clinton Co.

N. Y.—H. L. Baughman, Inc., 1240 Jefferson Rd., Rochester 23, N. Y. LB **$534,786**, est. $636,000. (6 bidders) reconstr. 4.53 mi. section Rte. 26 starting at Broome-Cortland County line and extending northward to Willet, Cortland Co.

N. Y.—County Asphalt, Inc., 129 Main St., Tarrytown, N. Y. LB **$584,140**, est. $705,000. (3 bidders), resurf. 7.81 mi. section Rte. 8 starting at Rte. 10 intersection and extending northward to Deposit-Masonville town line, Delaware Co.

N. Y.—Peckham Road Corp., 50 Haarlem Ave., White Plains, N. Y. LB **$233,413**, est. $268,000. (3 bidders), resurf. 2.75 mi. section Rte. 9 starting in Hyde Park and extending northward, Dutchess Co.

N. Y.—Robert C. Kramer, Main St., Holland, N. Y. LB **$433,863**, est. $518,000. (8 bidders), reconstr. 3.46 mi. section Center St. (Rte. 16) starting about 600 ft. east of Pennsylvania RR overpass near Harlem Rd. and extending to point about 550 ft. east of Bullis Rd. in East Seneca, Erie Co.

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., The Gov. Alfred E. Smith State Office Bldg., Albany, bids opened June 26,

N. Y.—Sheridan Const. Corp., 3580 Sheridan Dr., Buffalo 26, N. Y. LB **$1,081,209**, est. $1,272,000. (2 bidders) reconstr. three Rte. 93 bridges: one in Akron and two north of Akron, totaling 4.31 mi. incl. reconstr. 1.58 mi. of route within Akron village limits, starting at Rte 5 intersection and extending northward; bridges to be conconstr. north of village include one over Murder Creek and one over Tonawanda Creek (county line) Erie and Niagara Counties;

N. Y.—Wm. E. Bouley Co., Inc., 265 Genesee St., Auburn, N. Y. LB **$468,320**, est. $541,000. (5 bidders) reconstr. bridge and approaches carrying Rte. 5 and 20 over Honeoye Creek (county line) east of Lima; two double-lane side-by-side; two span 140 ft. long structures over creek; approaches totaling 0.47 mi. will consist of four lane divided asphalt concrete pavements, Livingston and Ontario Counties;

N. Y.—C. D. Perry & Sons, Inc., Box 866, Troy, N. Y. LB **$489,245**, est. $607,000. (7 bidders) 3 span 390 ft. long bridge and approaches to carry Rte. 46 and 49 over Erie Barge Canal near New London west of Rome, distance 1.29 mi. will incl. widening existing 18 ft. wide approaches to minimum 22 ft. and resurf. with asphalt concrete, Oneida Co.

N. Y.—C. D. Perry & Sons, Inc., Box 866, Troy, N. Y. LB **$224,901**, est. $252,000. (6 bidders) two span 103 ft. bridge and approaches to carry Rte. 412 over Oriskany Creek near Clinton southwest of Utica 0.17 mi. to incl. widening existing 16 ft. concrete hy., Oneida Co.

N. Y.—Rhodes Const. Co., Inc., 833 Front Ave., Salamanca, N. Y. LB **$98,461**, est. $112,000. (5 bidders) new single span 24 ft. bridge to carry Rte. over Stony Brook about ½ mi. east of Orangeville, west of Warsaw, totaling 0.42 mi. to incl. 22 ft. wide bit. macadam approaches for distance 1,600 ft. each end of bridge, Wyoming Co.

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., The Gov. Alfred E. Smith State Office Bldg., Albany, bids opened June 26,

N. Y.—C. D. Murray Co. Inc., 310 Eckel Theatre Bldg., Syracuse 2, N. Y. LB **$498,223**, est. $504,000. (2 bidders) b. conc. 2.07 mi. Rte. 41—FARC 58-19 Proj. DF-525 (3). Cortland Co.

N.Y.—G. Douglas Longway, Theresa Rd., R.F.D. #4, Watertown, N. Y. LB **$249,436**, est. $289,000., (2 bidders) reconstr. 1.07 mi. section Rte. 11 and 37 starting at north city line of Watertown and extending northward; new channelized "Y" intersections will be constructed to connect LeRay St. and Mill St. on south end of project and Rtes. 37 and 11 on north end, Jefferson Co.;

N.Y.—Kranz Const. Co., Inc., 36 State St., Albany, N.Y. LB **$417,381**, est. $460,000. (2 bidders) reconstr. 4.39 mi. section Rte. 20N, starting on Washington St. just inside Manlius village line and extending southeastward thru Oran to Onondaga-Madison county line, Onondago Co.

N.Y.—West Shore Concrete Co., Inc., Suffern, N.Y., LB **$779,315**, est. $830,000. (2 bidders) reconstr. 2.99 mi. section Rte. 32 starting in Gate and extending northward to Newburgh city line., Orange Co.

N. Y.—Peckham Road Corp., 50 Harlem Ave., White Plains, N. Y. LB **$648,834**, est. $899,000. (8 bidders) reconstr. 4.15 mi. section Rte. 165 starting at Rte. 10 intersection east of Seward and extending westward to point about 300 ft. inside Otsego county line, joining there with east end of recently completed construction., Schoharie and Otsego Counties.

N.Y.—Potter-DeWitt Corp., Pavilion, N.Y. LB **$2,765,520**, est. $3,159,000. (7 bidders) reconstr. 9.7 mi. section Rte. 13 starting at Tompkins-Schuyler county line and extending northeastward partially on new improved location to point just south of Newfield-Ithaca town line, Tompkins Co.

N.Y.—Amsterdam Excav., Co., Inc., 22 Market St., Amsterdam, N. Y. LB **$601,285**, est. $710,000. (3 bidders) widening and resurf. 7.33 mi. section Rte. 209 starting in Kerhonkson and extending northeastward to point near Kripplebush., Ulster Co.

N.Y.—Mount Vernon Contg. Corp., 439 N. Terrace Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y. LB **$10,609,287**, est. $13,647,000 (9 bidders) constr. 3.73 mi. six-lane divided Elmsford section of the Cross Westchester Expressway extending from State Thruway's Elmsford interchange eastward to western terminus of Expressway's White Plains Section already under contract, incl. also constr. 5.85 mi. local service roads and access ramps, traffic interchange facilities between Expressway and Thruway incl. 13 bridges., Westchester Co.

N.Y.—County Asphalt, Inc., 129 Main St., Tarrytown, N. Y. LB **$128,000**, est. $133,000. (4 bidders) resurf. 2.25 mi. section Rte. 9 in Tarrytown and North Tarrytown immediately north and south of State Thruway., Westchester Co.

Robertson Electric Inc., 126 So. Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, N. Y., LB **$64,340** (7 bidders), furnishing and delivery of 13 generator grounding cubicles for the Lewiston Power Plant, 12 motor generator ground cubicles for Tuscarora Power Plant in Lewiston, Niagara Co. Spec. No. PA-N-25013 Niagara Contr. No. NP 12, NEW YORK. Power Authority of State of New York, The Coliseum Tower, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, N. Y. Bids June 26. CD 5/22.

Pa. Dpt. Forest & Waters, 412 Education Bldg., Harrisburg, Pa. rejected bids June 10 clearing, grubbing 85 acres, reservoir area, clearing 282 acres Gifford Pincot State Park, York Co., PENNSYLVANIA. LB $74,415. CD 6/16, under LB.

PROJECTS COVERED

By Size

Construction projects here reported cover the United States and Canada, are of these minimum sizes or larger: water supply, earthwork, waterways $44,000; other public works $73,000; industrial buildings $93,000; other buildings $344,000. Also Foreign projects of $100,000 and more in size of interest to American contractors.

By Regions & Classes of Construction

(In order of Listing)

BIDS ASKED
LOW BIDDERS
CONTRACTS AWARDED

New England	**Middle West**
Middle Atlantic	**West of Mississippi**
South	**Far West**

PROPOSED WORK

Water Supply	**Public Buildings**
Sewers, Waste Disposal	**Mass Housing**
Bridges	**Commercial Buildings**
Streets & Roads	**Industrial Buildings**
Earthwork, Waterways	**Unclassified**

In Those Stages

PROPOSED WORK: Before and including appointment of engineers or architects.
BIDS ASKED: BA (new announcements only). For full calendar, see also preceding issues.
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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

† **VIRGINA**—Bureau P. Rds., Dpt. Commerce, 1440 Columbia Pike,

Contee Sand & Gravel Co., Laurel, Md. CA **$996,123**. Proj. 1A15, paving, Spout Run to Leesburg Rd., George Washington Memorial Parkway. Bids June 13, awarded June 20. CD 6/20, under LB.

† **Valley Constr. Co.**, Columbus, Miss. CA **$202,408**. CHAPEL in Triangle Area at Kessler Air Force Base, BILOXI, MISS. U. S. Eng., P.O. Box 1169, Mobile, Ala. Bids June 18. CD 6/9.

▲ **LOUISIANA**—State Hy. Dpt., Hy. Office Bldg., Baton Rouge, bids opened 6/25,

La.—James & Co., Box 531, Ruston, La. LB **$1,690,131**. grading, drainage structures overpass and interchange structures, c. conc. pavement and related work 0.652 mi. Sibley Rd. Interchange, Rte. I-20, SP No. 740-00-20. FAP No. I-20-1 (10) (I-540 (10), Webster Parish. CD 4/30, under LB.

La.—W. R. Aldrich & Co., 2493 Baywood Ave., Baton Rouge, La. LB **$2,689,679**. grading, drainage structures, c. conc. pavement and related work 4.435 mi. Sulphur-Westlake Hy., Rte. I-10 SP No. 740-001 18-FAP No. I-10-1 (7) 20 (I-520 (7), Calcasieu Parish. CD 6/11.

† **T. L. James Co., Inc.**, Box 8, Kenner, La., LB (Item 1) $168,000; (Item 2) $115,000; (Item 3) $105,000, automotive parking, access drives, drainage structures, etc., Naval Air Station. Alvin Callender Field, NBy-17710/58, NEW ORLEANS, LA. Dist. P. Wks., Eighth Naval Dist., Bldg. 16, U. S. Naval Station, New Orleans (Algiers), La. Bids June 18. CD 6/4.

▲ **KENTUCKY**—Commonwealth of Ky., Dpt. Hys., Frankfort, bids opened 6/20,

Ky.—Lovell & Hart Constr. Co., Corey Constr. Co., and H. C. Adams, P.O. Box 1528, Lexington, Ky. LB **$841,255**. (2 bidders), b. conc. Class I surf. 1.59 mi. Lexington Circle Rd. from Georgetown Rd. extending westerly to Leestown Pike (US 421), U-UG 538 (&) SP 34-304, Fayette Co.

Ky.—Ford Constr. Co., Bardwell, Ky. LB **$142,087**. (2 bidders), grading, bank grav. surf. 5.225 mi. Kevil-Monkeys Eyebrow-Oscar Rd. DS 224 (4) SP 4-201, Ballard Co.

Ky.—L. M. Hooper, P.O. Box 288, Caneyville, Ky. LB **$108,700**. (2 bidders), b. conc. base 0.426 mi. Franklin-Prices Mill-Adairville Rd., bridge and approaches at Red River in Prices Mill, DS 247 (1), SP 107-205, Simpson Co.

Ky.—Bullock Constr. Co., Pittsburg, Ky. LB **$150,169**. (3 bidders), grading, traffic bound surf. 4.21 mi. Hazard-Ky. 80 Rd. extending northeasterly down Curly Fork Creek to Ky. 80. SP 97-122, Perry Co. CD 6/4.

Ky.—R. C. Durr, Rte. 1, Walton, Ky., LB **$102,224**,

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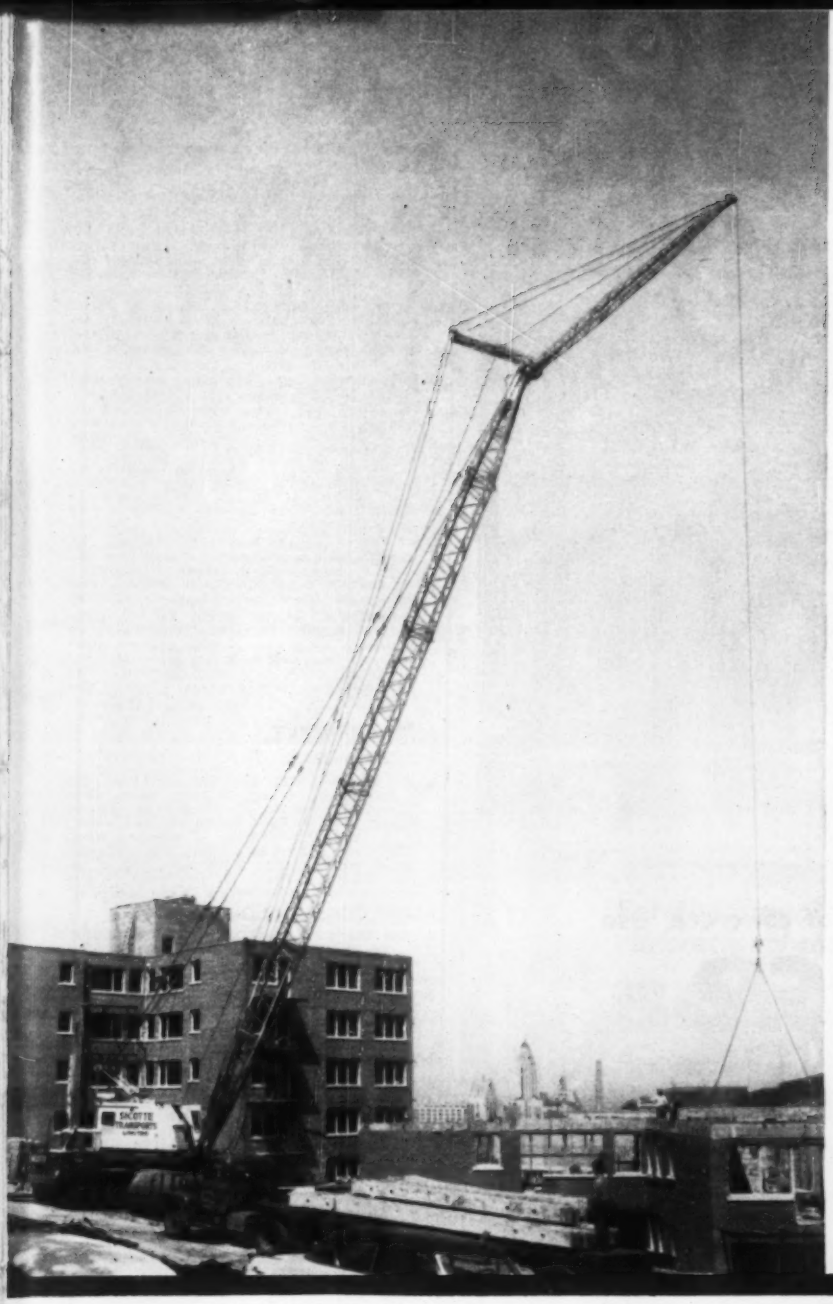

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corporate limit of Prestonsburg. DS 193 (8) SP 36-196, Floyd Co., cancelled bids to have been opened June 20, RH Group 4 (1958), Clark Co. CD 6/4.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲† **Albert Gersten & Assocs.**, P.O. Box 178, Beaufort, S. C. CA $8,881,000. constr. 618 family HOUSING UNITS (Capehart), ENG 49-080-58-8 (7), FORT BELVOIR, VA. U. S. Eng., 1st and Douglas Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C. Bids May 1. CD 5/6, under LB.

T. L. Kiker, 402 W. Hawthorne St., Dalton, Ga. CA $628,653. SANCTUARY-CHAPEL AND EDUCATIONAL WING, DALTON, GA. First Baptist Church, Dalton, Ga. Bids May 6. CD 5/15, under LB.

▲ **Daniel Constr. Co.**, Box 1511, Birmingham, Ala. LB $2,955,000. Northwoods low rent HOUSING, Ala. 47-6 (incl. 23 dwelling bldgs.) HUNTSVILLE, ALA. Huntsville Housing Auth., Box 379, Huntsville, Ala. Bids June 17. CD 6/2.

Central Contracting Corp., 2300 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh, Wis. CA $375,000. Contr. 208, STEAM GENERATING PLANT addn., incl. turbine, boiler and coal pulverizer, etc., FORD, KY. East Kentucky Rural Electric Co-operative Corp., Lexington Rd., Winchester, Ky. Bids June 20. CD 6/19.

Al J. Schneider Co., 3720 7th St. Rd., Louisville, Ky. CA $522,520. general contract, Southwick ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, LOUISVILLE, KY. Louisville Bd. Educ., 5th and Hill St., Louisville, Ky. Bids June 10. CD 6/13, under LB.

Struck Constr. Co., 147 N. Clay St., Louisville, Ky. CA $850,100. general contract, brick, rein.-con. James P. Boyce Memorial LIBRARY, LOUISVILLE, KY. Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2825 Lexington Rd., Louisville, Ky. Bids June 4. CD 5/20.

† **Trammel Constr. Co., Inc.**, Bristol, Tenn. CA $193,846. U. S. RESERVE TRAINING CENTER, incl. 2 bay maintenance shop and a main bldg. containing offices, classrooms, assembly space, target range, etc., GREENVILLE, TENN. U. S. Eng., 306 Federal Office Bldg., Nashville 2, Tenn. Bids June 4, awarded June 20. CD 5/6.

MIDDLE WEST

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Ill., Chicago**—SCHOOL—BA 7/14—Bd. Educ., 228 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, 2 story, brick Thomas Chalmers School addn., S. California Ave. between Roosevelt and 12th Place, $1,000,000, Pace Assocs., 53 W. Jackson Blvd., archts.; 2 story and bsmnt. Alice M. Birney Elementary School addn., $400,000, 120 N. Wood St., Cone & Dornbusch, 100 N. LaSalle St., archts. CD 8/1/57 for Thomas Chalmers School. CD 7/23/57 for Alice M. Birney School.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **Mead Electric Co.**, 5401 W. Harrison St., Chicago, Ill., CA $5,894,706, street lighting sys., Spec. No. 80.63-58-1, CHICAGO ILL. City, City Hall, Chicago, Ill. CD 11/13/56.

Santucci Constr. Co., 5025 Church St., Skokie, Ill., CA $854,180, Upper Des Plaines intercepting sewer, Contr. 11-D, Ext. C, Palatine-Rolling Meadows, CHICAGO, ILL. Metropolitan Sanitary Dist. of Greater Chicago, 100 E. Erie St., Chicago, Ill. CD 6/5, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

Leo J. Brielmaier Co., 1028 Straight, Cincinnati, O., CA $618,655, RECEPTION and TREATMENT CENTER, Longview State Hospital, CINCINNATI, O. Dpt. P. Wks., State Dpt. Bldgs., Columbus, O. CD 5/1, under LB.

▲ **John C. Long, Inc.**, 600 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill., LB $1,340,000, 2 story, steel, brick and conc. machinists' mates and boilermen's school, NAVAL TRAINING CENTER, GREAT LAKES, ILL. Ninth Naval Dist., Great Lakes, Ill. CD 5/21/58.

C. G. Schmidt, Inc., 4199 N. Richards St., Milwaukee, Wis., LB $912,850, est. $1,000,000-$1,500,000, (4 bidders) DINING HALL and KITCHEN Bldg. No. 424, Veterans Admin. Hospital, TOMAH, WIS. Veterans Admin., Munitions Bldg., Wash., D. C. Bids June 24. CD 5/14.

▲ **Consolidated Constr. Co.**, 800 Marquette St., Bay City, Mich., CA $1,274,000, SEMINARY, Wienicke and Weiss Rds., SAGINAW, MICH. St. Paul Minor Seminary, Saginaw Diocese, Saginaw, Mich. Joseph E. Godeyne, 417 Bay City Bldg., Bay City, Mich., archt.; **Miller-Davis Plg. & Heating Co.**, 1029 Portage, Kalamazoo, Mich., CA $345,000, mechanical work (SAGINAW, MICH.).

▲ **Spence Brothers**, 417 McCoskry, Saginaw, Mich., CA $1,282,000, West Side JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, YPSILANTI, MICH. Bd. Educ., 302 West Forest Ave., Ypsilanti, Mich. Bids May 29. CD 5/21.

WEST OF MISSISSIPPI

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Neb., Omaha**—DISTRIBUTION CENTER—BA About 7/15—Safeway Stores, Inc., 111 S. 46th St., distr. center at 72nd and F Sts. $6,000,000. Leo A. Daly Co., 633 Insurance Bldg., Omaha, archt.

Tex., Fort Worth—SCHOOL—BA 7/22—Fort Worth P. Schools, 3210 W. Lancaster, 1 story Waverly Park Elem. School, Weatherford Hy. $370,000. Plans deposit $25. Extended date. Earl E. Koeppe, 1011 Cont. Life Bldg., Fort Worth, archt. CD 6/17.

Iowa, Cedar Rapids—HOSPITAL—BA 7/23—St. Luke's Methodist Hospital, mechanical work 6 story and bsmnt. hospital addn. $500,000. CD 3/26.

† **Mo., Springfield**—MAINTENANCE SHOPS—BA On Or About 8/1— Bureau of Prisons, Dpt. Justice, 101 Indiana Ave. N.W., Zone 25, 90x180 ft. maintenance shops, U. S. Medical Center Federal Prison Bldg.; addn. to maintenance shops. $827,000. Eugene Johnson & Assocs., 400 E. McDaniel, Springfield, Mo., archt. CD 3/12.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

Barbarossa & Sons, Inc., 402 33rd Ave. North, St. Cloud, Minn., LB **$496,900** (4 bidders), two pumping stations and waste treatment plant, LITTLE FALLS, MINN. City, Little Falls, Minn. Bids June 24. CD 6/6.

† **Sioux Falls Constr. Co.**, 800 S. 7th St., Sioux Falls, S. D. LB **$467,000** (3 bidders) rocket storage facilities and group O&T Bldg. Sioux Falls Municipal Airport, ENG-25-066-58-157, SIOUX FALLS, S. D. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha 2, Neb. Bids June 20. CD 6/6.

† **Green Constr.**, Manhattan, Kan., LB **$462,411** (Schedule 1) hangar apron and utilities, ENG-23-028-58-74, FORT RILEY, KAN. U. S. Eng., 1900 Federal Office Bldg., Kansas City 6, Mo. Bids June 19. CD 5/16.

▲† **Irvinbilt Constr. Co.**, 304 Clay St., Box 785, Chillicothe, Mo., LB **$1,396,000** (3 bidders) Nike Hercules Missile Areas, Site 1, near Lawson, Mo.; LB **$1,355,000** (3 bidders) near Lone Jack; LB **$1,357,000**, near Gardner, Kan. ENG-23-028-58-77, MISSOURI-KANSAS. U. S. Eng., 1800 Federal Office Bldg., 911 Walnut, Kansas City, Zone 6, Mo. Bids June 25. CD 6/2, under Missouri;
Patti Constr. Co., 1340 Admiral, Kansas City, Mo., LB **$1,512,000** (1 bidder) site 4, near Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.;
Martin K. Eby, 610 North Main, Wichita, Kan., LB $4,864,000, Est. $5,659,696 (3 bidders), all four Nike-Hercules Missile Sites (Missouri-Kansas).

† **T. F. Powers Constr. Co.**, 217 4 Ave. No., Fargo, N. D., LB **$486,824**, est. $470,859 (5 bidders), Group O & T Bldg., A.N.G. Hector Field, ENG-25-066-58-156, FARGO, N. D. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb.

† **Greer-Maurer**, Box 776, Grand Island, Neb., LB **$856,461** (5 bidders), readiness crew and alert hangar, Grand Forks Air Force Base, ENG-25-066-58-135, GRAND FORKS, N. D. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson 2, Neb. Bids June 24. CD 5/28.

† **Lowe Constr. Co.**, Box 1956, Billings, Mont., LB **$424,064**, Est. $418,210 (3 bidders), readiness crew bldg. Minot Air Force Base, ENG-25-066-58-136, MINOT, N. D. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha 2, Neb. Bids June 24. CD 5/29.

NEBRASKA—State Dpt. Rds. & Irrigation, Lincoln, rejected bids June 19, maintenance gravel surf. Stapleton North Patrol No. 71049, Logan Co. received no bids grading, detour, etc. 0.6 mi. Falls City-Rulo. Proj. F-447 (4), Richardson Co. CD 6/6.

COLORADO—State Hy. Dpt., 4201 E. Arkansas, Denver, Colo.—**Gardner Constr. Co.**, Glenwood Springs, Colo., CA **$246,903** Est. $292,000, plant mixed asphaltic surf. 2.747 mi. Idaho Springs. Colo. Proj. No. F 005-3(14), Clear Creek Co.;
Colo.—**Pioneer Constr. Co.**, Rte. 2, Box 21, Pueblo, Colo., CA **$254,975** Est. $246,000, blading, structures, stabilization, plant mixed asphaltic surf. 9.987 mi. Beshoar Jct. and Kim. Proj. No. S 0002 (19), Las Animas Co. Bids June 20 CD 6/18.

Western Paving Constr. Co., 5105 Washington St., Denver, Colo., CA **$740,697** Est. $830,000, (Part 1)-East-West RUNWAY, drainage, lighting and taxiways, incl. reconstr. 8,510 ft. east-west runway and 1,300 ft. of north south runway; 20,000 storm sewer, PUEBLO, COLO. City, City Hall, Pueblo, Colo. Bids June 19 CD 6/9.

† **Commercial Contracting Co.**, 1039 W. Malone St., San Antonio, Tex., CA **$86,920**, unmanned gap filler facility, Schedules A and B, Zuni Air Force Station and Santa Rosa Air Force Station, Contr. No. DA-29-005-ENG-2126, IFB ENG-29-005-58-33, ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. U. S. Eng., Box 1538, Albuquerque, N. M. Bids May 16, CD 5/9.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲† **J. J. Fritch**, 6834 Harry Hines Blvd., P.O. Box 35126, Dallas 35, Tex. CA **$6,489,000**. 400 Capehart HOUSING UNITS, Offutt Air Force Base FORT CROOK, NEB. Procurement Officer, Offut Air Force Base, Omaha, Neb. Bids June 17 CD 6/27 under LB.

▲† **Martin K. Eby**, 610 N. Main St., Wichita, Kan., LB **$1,819,350** Est. $971,670, 1 story administration and Storage Bldg., 1 story Consolidated Mess; two 3-story enlisted men's Barracks, ENG-23-028-58-79, FORT RILEY, KAN. U.S. Eng., 1800 Federal Office Bldg., Kansas City 6, Mo. Bids June 25 CD 5/28.

▲† **Maggi Constr. Co.** and **McCoy Plumbing and Heating Co.**, 20 Green Ave., Rolla, Mo. LB (Basic One) **$4,407,348** Est. $4,110,200; LB (Basic Two), **$3,779,785** Est. $4,110,200, (4 bidders) BATTALION FACILITIES. ENG-23-028-58-75. FORT LEONARD WOOD, MO. U.S. Eng., 1800 Federal Office Bldg., Kansas City, Zone 6, Mo. Bids June 25 CD 6/17.

L. J. Largen Constr. Co., Box 6215, Kansas City, Mo., CA **$541,712** Est. $500,000, 2 story, bsmnt., 194 x 220 ft. HEALTH and PHYSICAL EDUCATION BLDG., MARYVILLE, MO. Northwest Missouri State College, Bd. Regents, Maryville, Mo. Bids Apr. 2 CD 4/10 under LB.

▲ **Fruin-Colnon Contg. Co.**, 1706 Olive St., St. Louis 3, Mo., CA Est. **$1,000,000**, 1 story, 60,000 sq. ft. brick, concrete, steel, etc. PLANT for mfg. fusion cast refractories, 101 Ferry St., ST. LOUIS, MO. Walsh Refractories Corp., 101 Ferry St., St. Louis 7, Mo. CD 6/25.

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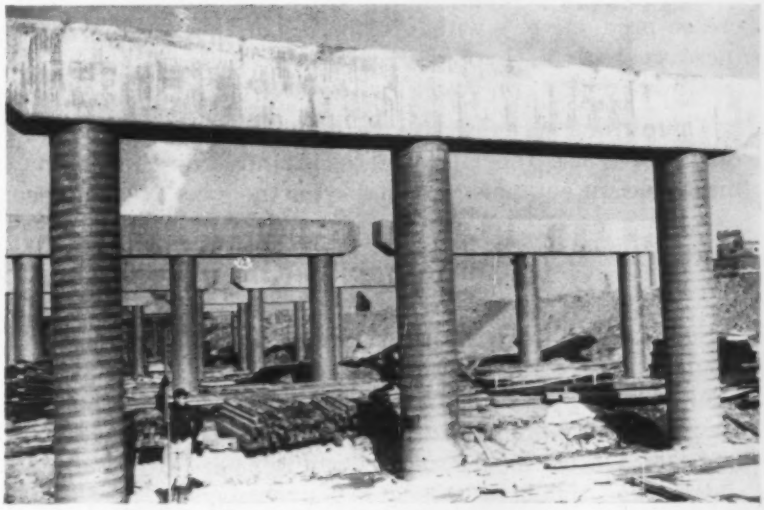

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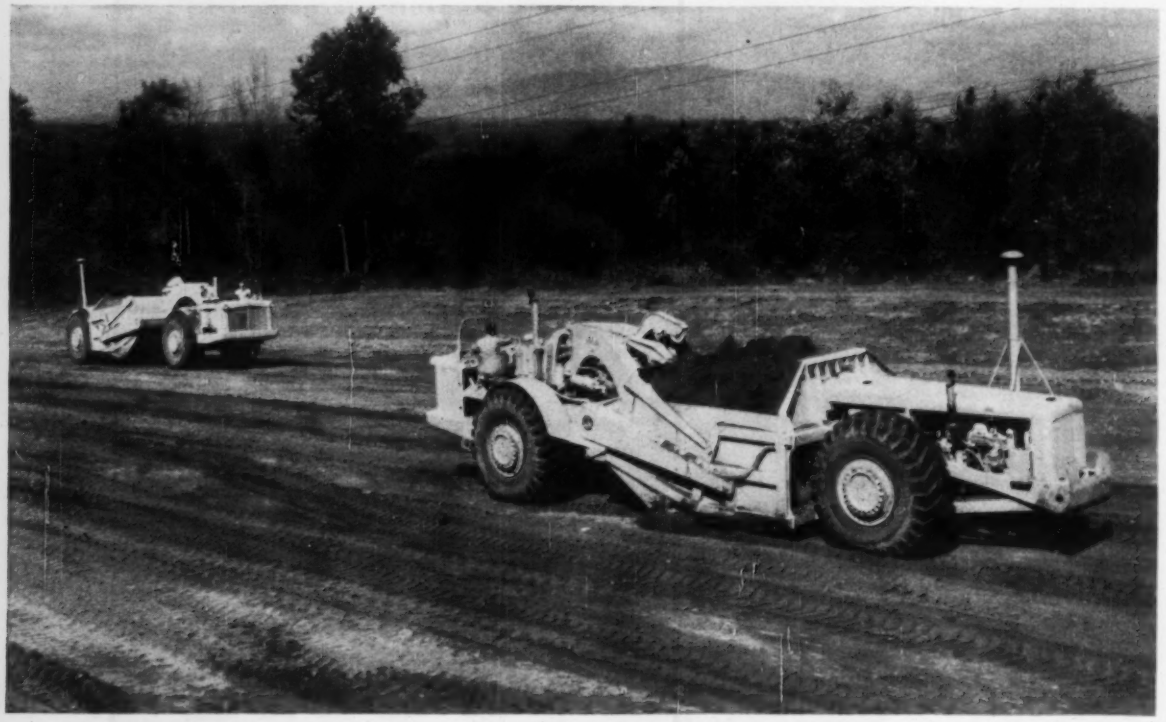
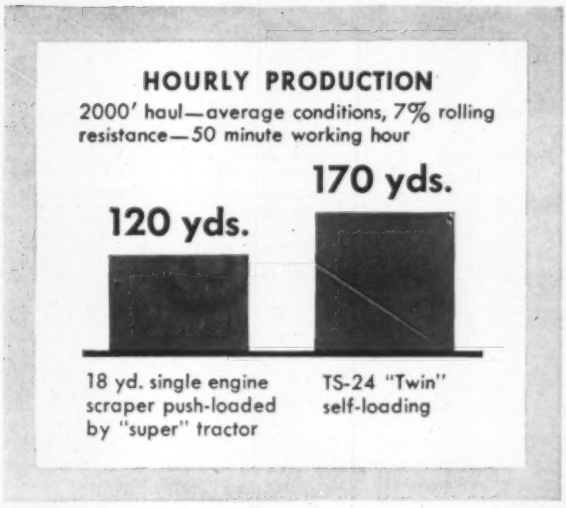
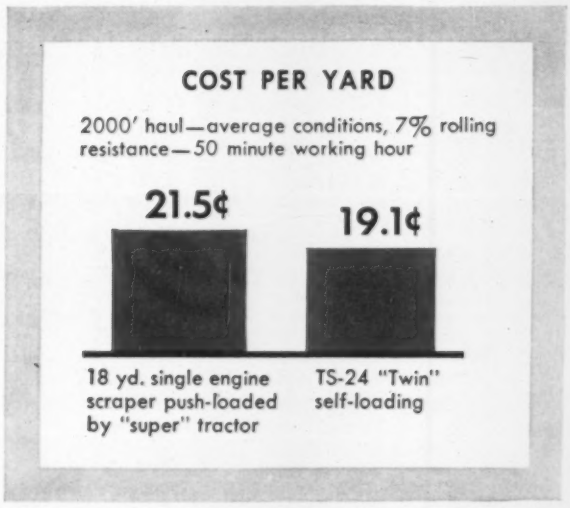



HOURLY PRODUCTION
2000' haul—average conditions, 7% rolling resistance—50 minute working hour
120 yds.
170 yds.
18 yd. single engine scraper push-loaded by "super" tractor
TS-24 "Twin" self-loading


COST PER YARD
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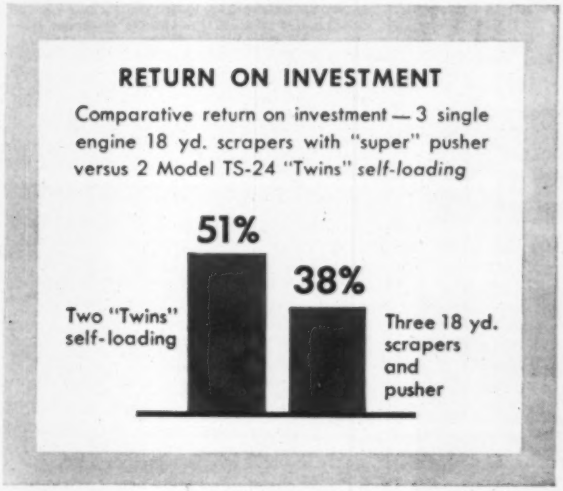
RETURN ON INVESTMENT
Comparative return on investment — 3 single engine 18 yd. scrapers with "super" pusher versus 2 Model TS-24 "Twins" self-loading
51%
38%
Two "Twins" self-loading
Three 18 yd. scrapers and pusher

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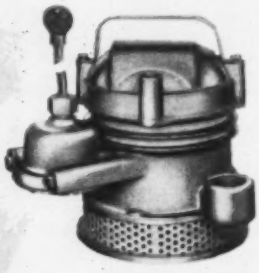

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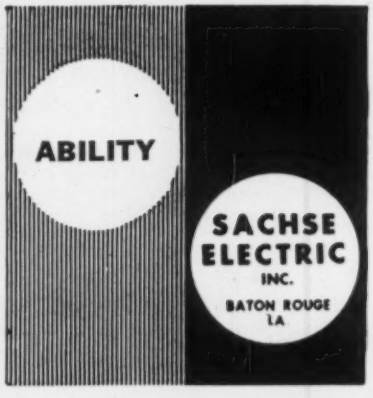

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▲ **The Baldwin Co.**, 322 Gaines St., Little Rock, Ark., CA $1,070,000., Est., $1,070,000., 2 story surgical and X-RAY ADDITION to existing Arkansas Baptist Hosp., LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Arkansas Baptist Hospital, 1700 W. 13th St., Little Rock, Ark., Awarded June 20, CD 8/26/57.

▲† **Stringfellow Amarillo Assocs.**, 2570 S. Harvard St., Tulsa, Okla. CA $7,638,663. constr. 500 units CAPEHART HOUSING, Amarillo Air Force Base, AMARILLO, TEX. Procurement Officer, Amarillo Air Force Base, Amarillo, Tex. Bids June 16 CD 5/22.

▲ **Thos. S. Byrne Inc.**, Fort Worth National Bldg., Fort Worth, Tex. CA $1,300,000. 5 story HOSPITAL addn. FORT WORTH, TEX. All Saints Episcopal Hospital, 1525 W. Magnolia St., Fort Worth, Tex. A. George King & Assocs. 819 Penn St., Fort Worth, Tex. archts. Awarded June 10.

Platt Rogers Constr. Co., P.O. Box 761, Colorado Springs, Colo., LB $377,000 Est. $500,000, 3 story 56 x 115 ft., NURSING HOME, COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO. Cragmor Foundation, Inc., c/o Edward L. Bunts and F. Lamar Kelsey, archts., 21 E. Monument, Colorado Springs, Colo. Bids June 17 CD 6/3.

▲† **H. B. Zachry Co.**, P.O. Box 10188, San Antonio, Tex. CA $3,414,779, RANGE INSTRUMENTATION FACILITIES, White Sands Proving Grounds, ENG-29-005-58-132, LAS CRUCES, N.M., U.S. Eng., Box 1538, Albuquerque, N.M., Bids June 12, CD 6/25 under LB.

FAR WEST

BUILDINGS—BA

Calif., Sacramento—CAFETERIA, etc.—BA 7/22—State Div. Architecture, 1120 N. St., cafeteria addn., Sacramento State College. W.O. 4005GC-15. $611,000. Plans deposit $50. CD 7/24/57.

Calif., San Jose—FACULTY OFFICE BLDG.—BA 7/22—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Office, 1120 N St., Sacramento, 2 story, faculty office bldg. at San Jose State College. $350,000. Plans deposit $25. Harold C. Guilkey & Assocs., 1181 Bacon Way, Walnut Creek, archts. CD 3/14.

▲ **Calif., Santa Barbara**—SCHOOL—BA 7/23—Santa Barbara Bd. Educ., Santa Barbara, San Marcos High School. $4,000,000. CD 8/1.

▲ **Calif., Los Angeles**—NEUROPSYCHIATRIC INSTITUTE—BA 7/29—Regents University of Calif. Admin. Bldg., 405 Hilgarde St., neuropsychiatric institute UCLA Medical Center. $6,000,000. CD 11/13/56.

▲ **Calif., Costa Mesa**—WARD BUILDINGS, etc.—BA 7/30—State Div. Architecture, 1100 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles, two 1 story, about 61,000 sq. ft. ward bldgs., covered passages linking bldgs., transformer station and site development at Fairview State Hospital. W.O. 4007-GC-34. $1,142,000. Plans deposit $50. CD 1/10.

▲ **Wash., Seattle**—SCHOOL—BA 8/5—Seattle School Bd., 815 4 Ave. N., 1 and 3 story, 57,444 sq. ft. rein.-conc. Franklin High School addns. $1,250,000. Plans deposit $50. John W. Maloney, Central Bldg., Seattle, archt. CD 6/27.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

UTAH—State Rd. Comn., State Capitol, Salt Lake City, Bids opened 6/17.

General Contracting Corp., 3260 S. 3 E., Salt Lake City, Utah. LB $252,260. 3 concrete overpasses 40 ft. 30.17 ft. and 130 ft. F.A. Proj. No. 1-15-1 (2) 27 2nd Contr. (I-01-1) Washington Co. CD 4/21; LB $80,127, 1 concrete structure 131.81 ft. over Duchesne River State Rd. 35. Proj. FASP No. DS-0256 (1), Duchesne Co.

† **Rasmussen Constr.**, Orem, Utah. LB $184,163, item 1; LB $249,450, item 3; visitors center Bryce Canyon National Park, UTAH. National Park Service, Western Office, 1000 Geary St., San Francisco, Calif. Bids June 12. CD 5/27.

† **Purvis Constr. Co.**, S. 720 Washington St., Spokane, Wash., LB $883,190, est. $658,729 (1 bidder), modificating facilities, 4 GUIDED-MISSILE INSTALLATIONS in Fairchild defense area near here, ENG-45-108-58-168, SPOKANE, WASH. U. S. Eng., 1519 S. Alaskan Way, Seattle 4, Wash. Bids June 23. CD 6/18.

† **Power City Electric, Inc.**, 920 Howard St., Spokane, Wash., LB $196,949, est. $200,000-$300,000, underground electric distribution sys., Veterans Admin. Hospital, WALLA WALLA, WASH. Veterans Admin., Munitions Bldg., Wash., D. C. Bids June 24. CD 5/21.

† **Beckley & Thomas**, Roseburg, Ore., LB $241,772, Est. $272,700 (3 bidders) surf. 18.085 mi. and stockpile on Smith River and Paradise Creek Rds., Douglas Co., OREGON. Bureau P. Rds., Morgan Bldg., Portland, Oregon. Bids June 18. CD 6/6.

† **R. L. Greene**, 5103 N.E. 42 Ave., Portland, Ore., CA $92,981, est. $107,336 (5 bidders), receiver building and transmitter building at Mount Hebo Air Force Station. Inv. 58-148, MOUNT HEBO, ORE. U. S. Eng., 1519 S. Alaskan Way, Seattle 4, Wash. Bids June 13. CD 5/6/58.

† **Union Constr. Co. Inc., and R. A. Bianchi Constr. Co.**, Ventura, Calif. CA $348,488. Ventura River. Proj. clearing Casitas Reservoir site, Spec. 200G-369, CALIFORNIA. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo. Bids June 16. CD 9/16.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 1120 N. St., Sacramento,

Charles MacClosky Co., 15900 S. Broadway, Gardena, Calif. CA $1,062,522 constr. 1.3 mi. 4 lane freeway and 4 structures U.S. 101 through Arroyo Grande, San Luis Obispo Co. Bids June 11, awarded June 24. CD 6/16, under LB.

▲ **Ruane Corp.**, 8415 E. Las Tunas, San Gabriel, Calif. LB $1,721,077 (5 bidders) transit shed railroad underground utilities, cathodic protection sys. East side of Pier B. Spec. 543, LONG BEACH, CALIF. Long Beach Harbor Dpt.; 1333 Embarcadero, Long Beach, Calif. Bids June 26. CD 5/29.

▲ **Hight Constr. Co.**, 4344 Eagle Rock Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. LB $1,010,615 (5 bidders) activity and service bldgs. at Bloomfield Park, Artesia, Sorenson Park, East Whittier, Live Oak Park, Temple City, Rivera Park, Rivera; Valleydale Park, Azusa, Mountain View Park, El Monte, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. Los Angeles Co. Bd. Suprvs., 501 Hall of Records, Los Angeles, Calif. Bids June 25. CD 4/28.

C. **Norman Peterson Inc.**, 2832 9th St., Berkeley, Calif. CA $966,034. sewage treatment plant in Coloma Sewer Assessment Dist. SACRAMENTO, CALIF. Sacramento County, 827 7th St., Sacramento, Calif. Bids May 21, awarded June 23. CD 5/29, under LB.

† **Harbison & Mahony**, 220 Sandburg Dr., Sacramento, Calif. LB $340,971, est. $319,494 (4 bidders) constr. nike guided missile field maintenance shop. Spec. No. 2450 ENG-04-167-58-56 TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, CALIF. U. S. Eng., 1209 8th St., Sacramento, Calif. Bids June 20. CD 5/29.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

Chytraus Bros., 2040 Redondo Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah. LB $548,680, David Gourley ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, KEARNS, UTAH. Granite School Dist., 3212 S. State St., Salt Lake City, Utah. Bids June 17. CD 5/26.

▲ **George Whitmeyer & Sons**, 2759 Grant Ave., Ogden, Utah. LB $1,565,000. INFIRMARY and chronic disease hospital, ROY, UTAH. Weber Co. Bd. Commrs., City-County Bldg., Ogden, Utah. Bids June 24. CD 6/6.

Bowers Bldg. & Constr. Co., 2260 S. 3 East, Salt Lake City, Utah. CA $891,978 East Mill Creek JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. Granite School Dist., 3212 S. State St., Salt Lake City, Utah. Bids Apr. 15. CD 4/25, under LB.

▲† **Hoffman Constr. Co.**, 715 Southwest Columbia, Portland, Ore., LB $1,897,874, est. $1,760,000, (5 bidders), PLUTONIUM RECYCLE TEST REACTOR and fabrication pilot plant, RICHLAND, WASH., Atomic Energy Comn., 1901 Constitution Ave. N.W., Wash. 25, D. C. Bids June 24. CD 5/19.

▲† **U. S. Eng.**, 4735 E. Marginal Way, Seattle 4, Wash., rejected bids May 14, 64 units Capehart HOUSING, Fairchild Air Force Base, Inv. 58-95, SPOKANE, WASH. LB $1,334,625. CD 5/19, under LB.

▲† **George A. Fuller Co.** and **Murray Sanders**, 3100 West 8 St., Los Angeles 5, Calif., CA $8,903,623, 600 units Capehart HOUSING, McChord Air Force Base, Inv. 58-72, TACOMA, WASH., Procurement Office, McChord Air Force Base, Wash. Bids June 10. CD 6/13, under LB.

▲ **Harris Constr. Co., Inc.**, P.O. Box 109, Fresno, Calif. LB $2,615,000. (8 bidders) general constr. six 3 story 233,000 sq. ft. rein.-brick, masonry, concrete STUDENT RESIDENCE HALLS, site development work, California State Polytechnic College. W. O. 4005GC-28 and 25. SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIF. State Div. Architecture, 1100 S. Grand Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids June 25. CD 6/17.

† **Ralph Larsen & Son**, 64 South Park, San Francisco, Calif. LB $373,313 (3 bidders) 2 rein.-con. EXPLOSION TEST BLDGS., 2 rein.-con. TESTING BLDGS., Site 300, STOCKTON, CALIF. U. S. Atomic Energy Comn., SF Operations Office, 518-17th St., Oakland, Calif. Rogers Engrg. Co., Inc., 16 Beale St., San Francisco, Calif., engr.

▲† **Diversified Builders Inc.**, 6855 Rosecrans Blvd., Paramount, Calif. LB $1,935,000. (4 bidders) addnl. TRAINING FACILITIES at Marine Corps Base, Spec. 11751-57, TWENTY-NINE PALMS, CALIF. Eleventh Naval Dist., 1220 Pacific Hy., San Diego, Calif. Bids June 23. CD 5/29.

CANADA

BUILDINGS—BA

Que., Montreal—ENGINEERING TEST BUILDING—BA 7/8—Canadair Ltd., Laurentian Blvd., St. Laurent, Montreal, 1 and part 2 story, 20,000 sq. ft. structural steel frame engineering test building at Plant No. 4, $250,000. T. Pringle & Son, Ltd., 4795 St. Catherine St., W. Montreal, engrs. CD 6/6/58.

N. S., Greenwood — ARMAMENTS BUILDINGS — BA 7/24—Defence Construction (1951) Ltd., 56 Lyon St., Ottawa, Ont., 9 standard armaments buildings air force refueling base, Baffin Island, N.W.T., Royal tion, $350,000.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

Foundation Co. of Canada Ltd., 1900 Sherbrooke St. W., Montreal, Que., LB $548,650 (24 bidders) piers and abutments Section 3, Nuns Island Bridge, MONTREAL, QUE. National Harbors Bldg., West Block, Parliament Bldgs., Ottawa, Ont. Dr. P. L. Pratley, 1117 St. Catherine St. W., Montreal, engr. CD 6/28/56.

▲ **Poole Construction Co., Ltd.**, Eighth Ave. and Hamilton St., Regina, Sask., CA $1,448,000. sewage pumping station, underground pipe lines, fencing, etc. sewage treatment plant site REGINA, SASK. City, City Hall, Regina, Sask. Underwood, McLellan & Associates Ltd., 1721 8th St. E., Saskatoon, Sask., engr. Bids June 19. CD 6/19/58.

Wappel Concrete & Construction Co. Ltd., 302 Canada Permanent Bldg., Regina, Sask., CA $337,835. conc. walk, combined walk and curb in city, REGINA, SASK.

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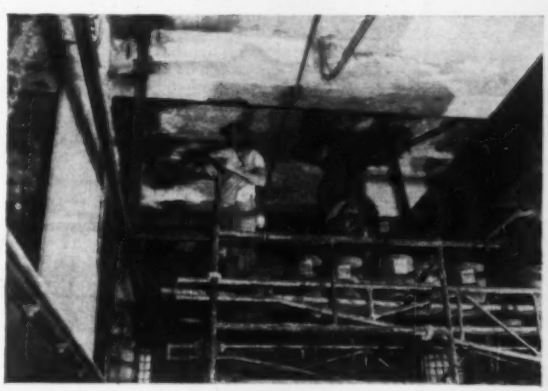

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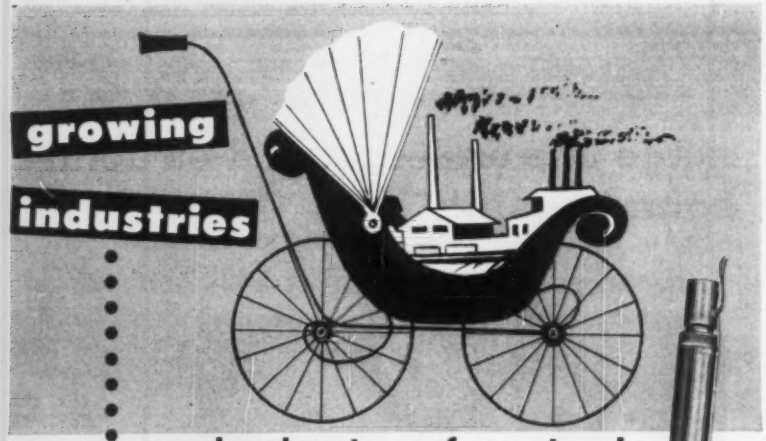

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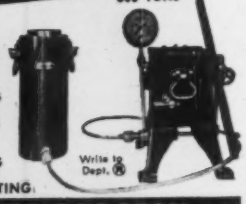

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Beattie Ramsay Constr. Co., Ltd., Victoria & McDonald Sts., Regina, Sask. CA **$189,710.** pavement constr. Class A in city (Regina, Sask.);
Bird Constr. Co. Ltd., 7 and Smith Sts., Regina, Sask., CA **$109,059,** replacing c. conc. walk, curb, gutter and pavement extens. in city (Regina, Sask.).

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

Eastern Woodworkers Ltd., Brother St., New Glasgow, N. S., CA Est. **$400,000,** 50 units ROW HOUSING, GANDER, NEWFOUNDLAND. Central Mortgage & Housing Corp., 1032 Gottingen St., Halifax, N. S. Bids June 3. Awarded June 20. CD 5/19.

▲ **Humphreys & Glasgow (Canada) Ltd.**, Leslie St., Sheppard Ave., Don Mills P. O., Toronto, Ont., CA Est. **$1,000,000,** CHEMICAL PLANT, produce crude thorium concentrates, refined metallurgical grade thorium sulphate and thorium oxide, ELLIOT LAKE, ONT. Rio-Tinto-Dow, c/o Rio-Tinto Mining Co. of Canada Ltd., 335 Bay St., Toronto, Ont. CD 4/4.

G. H. Montminy, Inc., 5 Richelieu St., Quebec City, Que. CA Est. **$400,000,** 7 story, 58x138 ft., armoured conc. floors, brick walls, OFFICE BUILDING ANNEX, QUEBEC CITY, QUE. Les Immeubles Montmony, 30-40 St. John St., Quebec City, Que. Awarded June 18.

Bird Constr. Co., Ltd., 24 Dominion Bank Bldg., Moose Jaw, Sask. LB **$416,717,** ARMORIES BUILDING, Canadian Army, SASKATOON, SASK. Defence Construction (1951) Ltd., 56 Lyon St., Ottawa, Ont. CD 10/18/50.

ALASKA

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

† **B-E-C-K Constructors**, 3647 Stone Way St., Seattle, Wash., CA **$258,000,** est. $230,250 (1 bidder) 2 story, 8,710 sq. ft. rein.-con. battalion HEADQUARTERS and service building at Eielson Air Force Base, Inv. 58-39, ALASKA. U. S. Eng., P.O. Box 1288, Anchorage. Bids June 10. CD 5/16/58.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲† **Raber & Kief, Inc.**, 5939 4 Ave. S., Seattle, Wash., LB **$1,019,750,** est. $1,193,663 (2 bidders) BARRACKS, ADAK, ALASKA. P. Wks. Officer, 17th Naval Dist., P. Wks. Office, 13th Naval Dist., Naval Station, Seattle, Wash. Bids June 24. CD 6/4.

AMERICANS ABROAD

BUILDINGS—BA

Iraq., Baghdad—HOSPITAL—BA 10/1—Development Bd. and Ministry of Development, Baghdad, Phase 1. Royal Medical City incl. 950-bed hospital and service bldg. Plans deposit $196. Litchfield, Whiting, Panero, Severud & Assoc., 292 Madison Ave., New York 17, N. Y., U.S.A., engrs.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

† **Huarte y Compania**, Madrid, Spain, LB **$287,651** (8 bidders) ROT-82, shop, torpedo and ammunition and utility bldg., Spanish Air Force Program, ROTA, SPAIN. Bureau Yards & Docks, Dpt. Navy, Arlington, Va., U.S.A.

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Hawaiian Dredging & Constr. Co., Ltd.**, J. H. Pomeroy & Co., Inc. & Koster, P.O. Box 3468, Honolulu, T. H., LB **$1,027,000,** special weapons training aircraft maintenance shop, aircraft washrack, airmen's dormitory, officers' quarters, utilities, NBy 3386, MARINAS ISLANDS, GUAM. Area P. Wks. Officer, Marianas, P. O. Box 35, Agana, Guam. Bids June 18. CD 6/17.

FOREIGN

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

Iraq—BA 8/16—Development Bd. and Ministry of Development of Govt. of Iraq., Baghdad, access and internal roads, water and electrical installations, drainage and sewerage sys., Western Baghdad Development Proj., Sectors 5, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 13. Plans deposit $70.

BUILDINGS—BA

Iran—FACTORY—BA 7/30—Tobacco Monopoly of Iran, Teheran, paper and carton mfg. factory.

Iraq—BA 8/2—VILLAGES—BA 8/2—Development Bd. and Ministry of Development of Govt. of Iraq, Baghdad, Villages No. 7 and 12, Greater Mussayib Proj., incl. houses, shops, schools, interior roads, water supply sys., water purification plant, elevated tank, etc. Plans deposit $42.

Iraq, Mosul—HOUSING—BA 8/16—Development Bd. and Ministry of Development of Govt. of Iraq, Baghdad, Housing Scheme incl. 332 houses and other incidental work. Plans deposit $28.

PROPOSED PROJECTS

SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

▲ **Ark., Camden**—City Council, Sanitation Committee, City Hall, sanitary sewerage sys. extens. and imprvs., incl. sewerage treatment plant and sewer lines. $1,000,000. Marion L. Crist & Assocs., 4324 W. Markham St., Little Rock, consult. engrs. CD 3/13/53.

▲ **O., Elyria**—City, City Hall, bond election Nov. 4, sanitary sewer trunk line extensions and improvements. $1,750,000. CD 11/28/56.

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▲ O., Struthers—City, City Hall, Struthers, bond election Nov. 4, sewage plant, sewers and pumping station. $1,200,000. Floyd G. Browne & Assoc., 125 W. Church St., Marion, consult. engrs. CD 4/4/57.

▲ O., Xenia—Greene Co. Comrs., Court House, sanitary sewer system in Beavercreek Twp. $1,000,000.

STREETS AND ROADS

▲ N. J., Belvidere — Bd. Freeholders, Warren Co., reconstr. 3 mi. of Belvidere-Phillipsburg Pike from Lincoln St., Phillipsburg, to Uniontown Rd. intersection. $2,600,000. Harry L. Ackerman, Court House, engr.

▲ N. J., Passaic—City, City Hall, extension Hamilton Ave. to State St.; extension State St. on built-up area behind YMCA bldg.; extension Hoover Ave. by new road to connect with State St. $2,688,500. John Schneider, City Hall, engr.

▲ WASHINGTON—State Hy. Comm., Olympia. Yakima Co.—by-pass around Yakima. $4,700,000. Bids 1958. W. A. Bugge, State Hy. Dir. CD 11/25.

AIRPORTS

▲ Calif., San Francisco — PASSENGER TERMINAL — City and San Francisco County, Pub. Utilities Comm., City Hall, plans by Welton Beckett & Assoc., 153 Maiden Lane, San Francisco, passenger terminal, cargo terminal, concourses, garage, etc., San Francisco International Airport. $10,000,000. John A. Blume & Assoc., 45-2nd St., San Francisco, Calif., consult. engrs. CD 11/9/56.

▲ Ind., Indianapolis—TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER—Civil Aeronautics Admin., Airport Traffic Control Tower, Weir Cook Airport, 21,000 sq. ft. air route traffic control tower on 8 acre tract to house radar equipment with 400 mi. east-west range, Weir Cook Municipal Airport, $1,400,000, Edward D. James, 122 E. Michigan St., consult. engr. CD 6/7/56.

U. S. POSSESSIONS

▲ Hawaii, Honolulu—DWELLINGS— Centex Constr. Co., 4606 Greenville St., Dallas, Tex., 6,000 to 10,000 dwellings on 12,000 acre Keneohe Ranch Tract. $100,000,000.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

▲ Ala., Tuscaloosa—COURTHOUSE—Co. Bd. of Revenue, Courthouse, plans by Charles McCauley, Jackson Bldg., Birmingham, Ala., courthouse and county jail. $2,500,000.

▲ N. Y., Niagara Falls—HOUSING—Niagara Falls Housing Auth., City Hall, plans by Shakelton and Fitzgerald, 1513 Lockport Rd., Niagara Falls, N. Y., 100 units public housing between Highland and Garden Aves. $2,250,000. CD 1/10/44.

▲† W. Va., Sugar Grove—RADIO RESEARCH OBSERVATORY—Dpt. of Navy, Constitution Ave. at 18 St. N. W., Wash., D. C., plans by Grad-Urbahn-Seeleye, 101 Park Ave., New York, N. Y., radio research observatory, near here, $60,000,000.

COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

▲ Calif., Los Angeles—APARTMENTS, etc.—B. C. Deeane, c/o Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall, archts., 3325 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, 25 story, 17 story and 14 story apartments, 8 story office and shopping center, Barrington Plaza, $14,000,000.

Calif., Sunnyvale—HOME SUBDIVISION—Eichler Homes, 2001 El Camino, Palo Alto, 279 home subdivision at Wright Ave. and Homestead Rd. and Hollenbeck Rd., near Conway Rd. $6,250,000.

▲ Ill., Joliet—SHOPPING CENTER—Steinly Bros., Manhattan Rd., plans by Ralph Ernst, 11041 Ridgeway Ave., Chicago, Ill., shopping center, paving, southeast of Joliet, $3,000,000.

▲ Ind., Indianapolis—HOMES—J. & L. Realty, 3901 W. 30 St., 575 homes, east of Moller Rd. between W. 34th and W. 38th Sts., Eagledale. $5,500,000.

▲ La., New Orleans—OFFICE—Shepard M. Latter, 919 Gravier St., New Orleans, 14 story, steel, glass and marble office at Lake corner & Tulane Ave. M & S Rampart Sts. $2,000,000. A. W. Thompson & Assoc., 635 Comm. Pl., New Orleans, La., structural engrs. Alfred R. Salzer, 938 Bienville St., New Orleans, La., electrical engr.

▲ Pa., Willow Grove — SHOPPING CENTER — Hankin Bros., shopping center on Easton Rd. $2,500,000.

▲ Tex., Houston — BANK-OFFICE IMPRVS. — National Bank of Commerce, 712 Main St., plans by Kenneth Franzheim, 802 Lovett St., Houston, remodeling bank-office. $2,000,000. B. Johnson & Associates, 4926 Travis St., Houston, consult. engrs. CD 2/20/58.

▲ Wash., Seattle — SHOPPING CENTER — Food Giant Supermarket Co., c/o L. Haskins, 828 W. 125 St., shopping center at N. 175 St. and Aurora Ave. $3,000,000. Work to start this summer.

UNCLASSIFIED

▲ Louisiana—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—Louisiana Rural Electric Corp., P.O. Box 111, Alexandria, La., 206 mi. distribution lines; 190 mi. 34.5 KV transmission lines; 19 mi. tie lines, 15 mi. conversions to increase voltage; 11 sub-stations and 65 irrigation pumps, etc. $2,600,000. CD 1/10/56.

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BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Conn., Darien**—SCHOOL—BA 7/23—Town, Town Hall, Supt. of Schools, Renshaw Rd., high school, $3,000,000. Ketchum & Sharp, 227 E. 44 St., New York, N. Y., archts. Severud-Elstad-Krueger Associates, 415 Lexington Ave., New York, N. Y., engrs. Cosentini Associates, 10 Columbus Circle, New York, N. Y., mech. engrs. Tregenza & Briglia, 150 E. 39 St., New York, N. Y., site consultants. Bolt, Beranek & Newman, Inc., 50 Moulton St., Cambridge, Mass., consultant in acoustics. CD 5/14.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Wexler Constr. Co., Inc.**, 118 Needham St., Newton Highlands, Mass., CA $3,729,708, heliport, Fort Devens, ENG-19-016-58-170, AYER, MASS. U. S. Eng., 150 Causeway St., Boston, Mass. Bids June 12. (Correction—contractor). CD 7/12, under CA.

▲ **Perini Corp.**, 73 Mount Wayte Ave., Framingham, Mass., CA $9,180,000, est. $9,200,000, changing tracks and grading Rapid Transit extension over Highland Branch Tracks Boston & Albany R.R., Boston-Brookline-Newton, BOSTON, MASS. Metropolitan Transit Auth., 716 Park Square Bldg., Boston, Mass. CD 2/9/51.

▲ **RHODE ISLAND**—State R. I. & Prov. Plants, Div. Purchase, State House, Providence.

M. A. Gammino Constr. Co., 728 Valley St., Providence, R. I., CA $3,537,062 Bid 948, R.I. Contr. 5806, FA Proj. U-036 (3) Huntington Expressway (Roberts Expressway to Reservoir Ave.) Providence and Cranston. Bids May 28. CD 6/2, under LB.

▲ **CONNECTICUT**—State Hy. Dpt., 165 Capitol St., Hartford,

Arute Bros., Inc., 560 S. Main St., New Britain, Conn. CA $2,761,146, Proj. 46-68, c. conc. paving Hartford Springfield Expressway, FAP 1-139 (18), East Windsor and Enfield. Bids June 9. CD 6/11, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Perini Corp.**, 73 Mount Waite Ave., Framingham, Mass., LB $2,709,000, HHFA Proj. Mass. 19-CH-25 (D), four Men's DORMITORIES on Campus, WALTHAM, MASS. Brandeis University, 415 South St., Waltham, Mass. Bids June 30. CD 6/9.

▲ **Southern New England Contg. Co.**, 66 Sanford St., Hartford, LB $3,265,000, 4 story HOSPITAL addn., HARTFORD, CONN. St. Francis Hospital, 114 Woodland St., Hartford, Conn. BA 6/12. CD 6/10.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

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BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **N. Y., Jamaica**—HOUSING—BA 7/29—New York City Housing Auth., 299 Broadway, New York, Zone 7, general constr. heating and ventilating, electric work and plumbing for (A) Baisley Gardens Houses (Proj. No. NYC-32) Foch Blvd., 157th St., 116th Ave. to 195th St. and New York Blvd. (B) Baisley Park Houses (Proj. No. NY538) in area by Long Island Railroad, Foch Blvd., New York Blvd. to Foch Blvd. in area by 116th Ave., Bedell St., New York Blvd., Foch Blvd. to New York Blvd. and 159th St. (C) Baisley Gardens Houses (Proj. No. NYC-32) and Baisley Park Houses (Proj. No. NY-5-38) in areas above described, Queens Boro. Extended date. Plans deposit $75. CD 6/24.

BUILDINGS—SLC

▲ **N. Y., Olean**—ARTS COLLEGE, etc.—St. Bonaventure University, Olean soon lets contract (two stage project). 1st Phase, arts college and friary. $3,000,000. Brother Cajetan Baumann, 44 Whitehall, New York, N. Y., archt. Distasio & Van Buren, 136 Liberty St., New York, N. Y., engrs.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **Harris Structural Steel Co.**, 419 Fourth Ave., New York 16, N.Y., CA $5,551,360, Throgs Neck Bridge Contr. TN-10C, Bronx approach superstructure steel, NEW YORK. Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Auth., Administration Bldg., Randall's Island, New York 35, N.Y. Bids June 18, CD 6/20 under LB.

Bethlehem Steel Co., 25 Broadway, New York, Zone 4, N.Y., CA $5,641,654, Throgs Neck Bridge Contr. No. TN-10D, Queens approach superstructure steel (New York).

▲ **Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp.**, 260 Madison Ave., New York 16, N.Y., CA $7,022,290, Throgs Neck Bridge Contr. TN-10A, Bronx approach substructure; and Contr. No. TN-10B, Queens approach substructure. NEW YORK. Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Auth., Administration Bldg., Randall's Island, New York 35, N.Y. Bids June 17, CD 6/19, under LB.

▲ **Tufano Constr. Corp. & O. E. Contg. Co.**, 32-17 Lawrence St., Flushing, N. Y., LB $6,046,969 (6 bidders), paving and utilities for Runway "V" and Inland Taxiways at New York International Airport, Contr. NYA-920.003, IDLEWILD, N. Y. Port of New York Authority, 111 8th Ave., New York 11, N. Y. Bids June 24. CD 5/26.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—Pa. Hy. & Bridge Auth., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg. Bids opened 6/27.

Pa.—**Lycoming Constr. Co.**, 127 Susquehanna St., Williamsport, Pa., LB $2,433,341, est. $3,200,000 (13 bidders) constr. 24,454 ft. divided hy. c. conc. 24 ft. wide each side divisor, Proj. 821-1 FAI Section Scranton-Binghamton Thruway, New Milford and Great Bend Twps., Susquehanna Co.;

Pa.—**Allegheny Contracting Industries, Inc.**, 801 Bingham St., Pittsburgh, Pa., LB $3,393,119, est. $4,000,000 (4 bidders) constr. 28,577 ft. divided hy. of c. conc. 24 ft. wide each side 56 ft. divisor; 5 grade separations, Proj. 803-1 FAI, Section Erie Thruway, McKean and Summit Twps., Erie Co.;

Pa.—**Elmhurst Contg. Co., Inc.**, 53-09 97th Pl., Corona, N. Y., LB $3,417,047, est. $5,000,000 (4 bidders) constr. 21,700 ft. divided hy. of c. conc. 24 ft. wide each side 56 ft. divisors; 2 bridges, 3 grade separations (Proj. 808-1) FAI, section Erie Thruway, North East Twp., Erie Co. CD 6/4.

▲ **MARYLAND**—State Rds. Comn., 108 E. Lexington St., Baltimore 2. Bids opened 6/24.

Md.—**J. O. & C. M. Stuart, Inc.**, 3121 South St. N.W., Wash. 7, D. C., LB $2,740,059 (5 bidders), grading, drainage, surf. 8.8 mi. along State Rte. 4, P 735-1-320, Prince George Co.;

Md.—**Eugene Chaney**, Upper Marlboro, Md., LB $588,596 (4 bidders) grading, drainage, surf. new lane and resurf. portion of existing lane US 301-5.283 mi., CH-257-19-520, Charles Co. CD 6/11.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **D. Fortunato, Inc.**, 11 Garfield Ave., Floral Park, N. Y., CA $2,713,642, general contract JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, Broadway and Cherry Ave., BETHPAGE, N. Y. Bd. Educ., Union Federated School Dist. No. 21, Broadway School, Broadway Ave., Bethpage, N. Y. Grand total $3,570,172. Bids May 29. CD 11/18;

Willner Heating Co., Inc., 415 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y., CA $430,100, heating and ventilating (Bethpage, N. Y.);

Giuliano Bros., 95 Railroad Ave., Patchogue, N. Y., CA $426,430, electric (Bethpage, N. Y.).

▲ **H R H Constr. Corp.**, 579 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y., CA $15,353,000, general contract, Luna Park HOUSES (Proj. NYC-34) in area of Neptune Ave., W. 8th St., Surf andn Stillwell Ave., Brooklyn Boro, BROOKLYN, N. Y. New York City Housing Auth., 299 Broadway, New York, Zone 7, N. Y. Bids June 3. CD 6/16, under LB. Grand total $18,963,450. CD 6/16, under LB;

Fein-Schlosberg, Inc., 1770 Second Ave., New York 28, N. Y., CA $1,437,000, plumbing (Brooklyn, N. Y.);

AFGO Eng. Corp., 475 Adelphi St., Brooklyn 17, N. Y., CA $1,195,000, heating (Brooklyn, N. Y.);

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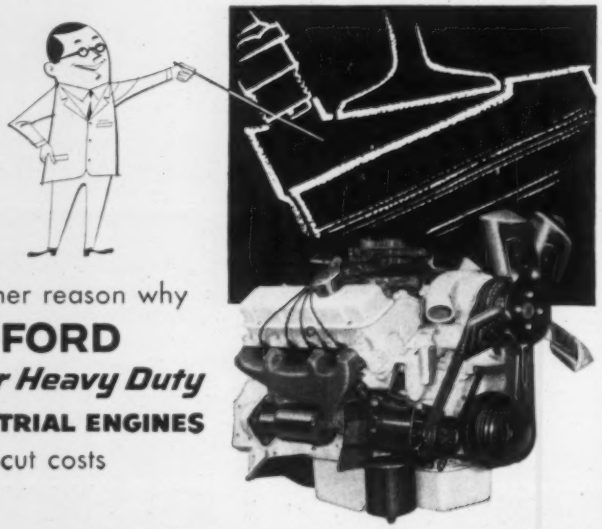

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Herman H. Schwartz, Inc., 179 So. Portland Ave., Brooklyn 17, N. Y. CA $968,450, electric (Brooklyn, N. Y.).

▲ P. J. Carlin Constr. Co., 41-17 Crescent St., Long Island City 1, N. Y. CA $2,197,250, general contract OFFICE of Chief Medical Examiner, northeast corner 1st Ave. and E. 30th St., Manhattan Boro, NEW YORK, N. Y. Dpt. P. Wks., Municipal Bldg., New York 7, N. Y. Bids May 21. CD 5/26, under LB;
Heating Maintenance Corp., 220 E. 138th St., New York 51, N. Y. CA $735,851, heating and ventilating (New York, N. Y.).

▲ Driscoll-Moccia Constr. Co., 41 E. 42 St., New York 17, N. Y. CA $11,848,488, foundations and general constr. Manhattanville HOUSES, Proj. No. NYS 074, located in area bounded generally by W. 133 St., Amsterdam Ave., W. 129 St., W. 126 St., Broadway, W. 131 St. and Old Broadway, Manhattan Boro, NEW YORK, N. Y. New York City Housing Auth., 299 Broadway, New York, Zone 7, N. Y. Bids Apr. 29. Grand total $14,757,665. CD 5/1, under LB;
AFCO Eng. Corp., 475 Adelphi St., Brooklyn 17, N. Y. CA $760,000, heating and ventilating, Manhattanville Houses (New York, N. Y.);
Brown Elec. Co., 250 E. 43 St., New York 17, N. Y. CA $934,400, electrical work for Manhattanville Houses (New York, N. Y.);
Lipsky & Rosenthal, Lexington Ave. and 115 St., New York 29, N. Y. CA $1,214,777, plumbing for Manhattanville Houses (New York, N. Y.).

▲ S. S. Silberblatt, Inc., 25 W. 45th St., New York 36, N. Y., CA $14,094,000, general contract (A) Rosedale Houses (Proj. No. NYC-311) located in area bounded by Rosedale Ave., Bruckner Blvd., Taylor Ave. and line parallel to Story Ave. separating City portion from Federal portion of project, (B) James Monroe Houses (Proj. No. NY-5-36) in area bounded by Taylor Ave., Lafayette Ave., Bronx Boro, NEW YORK, N. Y. New York City Housing Auth., 299 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y. Grand total $17,610,700. Bids June 17. CD 6/19, under LB;
Heating Maintenance Corp. of New York, 220 E. 138th St., New York 51, N. Y., CA $1,077,000, heating and ventilating (New York, N. Y.);
Herman H. Schwartz, Inc., 179 So. Portland Ave., Brooklyn 17, N. Y., CA $867,700, electric work (New York, N. Y.);
Fein-Schlosberg, Inc., 1770 Second Ave., New York 28, N. Y., CA $996,000, plumbing for Monroe Houses (New York, N. Y.);
Otis Elevator Co., 260 Eleventh Ave., New York 1, N. Y., CA $576,000, elevators (New York, N. Y.).

▲† J. D. Rich Co. Inc., 550 Summer St., Stamford, Conn., CA $3,502,500, 216 units Capehart HOUSING, at Syracuse Air Force Base, SYRACUSE, N. Y. Air-force Military Housing, 3800 Newark St. N.W., Wash., D. C. Bids May 27. CD 6/6, under LB.

▲ Geiger & Slater, 544 Grand Ave., Englewood, N. J., Own Forces, $3,500,000, 100 HOUSES, Roberts Rd., ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS, N. J.

▲ Isadore & Harold Strauss, 160-16 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica, N. Y., Own Forces, $3,000,000, 150 HOUSES, Edgeware Place and Wakefield Rd., NEPTUNE, N. J., Harsen & Johns, Piedmont Rd. and Summit St., Tenafly, N. J., archts.

SOUTH

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ FLORIDA—State Rd. Dpt., Tallahassee, Bids opened 6/26,
Fla.—White Constr. Co., Inc., Chiefland, Fla. LB $2,495,525. (5 bidders). road and bridges 4.744 mi. FAP 1-4-2 (9) Job 7911-402 SR 400, Volusia Co.; LB $139,918 (4 bidders) 2.721 mi. State Proj. 5568-150 SR 371-A, Leon Co.;
Fla.—Marion Constr. Co., Box 577, Ocala, Fla. LB $867,038 (5 bidders) Imprv. 2.767 mi. FAP DF-016-2-(16) Job 3801-601 SR55, Taylor Co.;
Fla.—J. W. Connor & Sons, Inc., Box 2522, Tampa, Fla. LB $698,287. imprv. 9.065 mi. St. Job 0404-151-SR70, Desoto Co.; LB $127,362 imprv. 10 mi. St. Proj. 0708-175 SR 833, Hendry Co.;
Fla.—Florida Asphalt Paving Co., Box 1013, Panama City, Fla. LB $449,969 (5 bidders) imprv. 1.509 mi. FAP DF-017-1-(3) and DF-017-2 (13) Jobs 4601-601 and 4602-601 SR 30 US 98, Bay Co.;
Fla.—Ray Constr. Co., Box 1789, Pensacola, Fla. LB $469,905 (5 bidders) imprv. 5.929 mi. St. Proj. 5.929 mi. St. Proj. Job 4855-152 SR 5 289, Escambia Co. CD 6/5 and 6/16.

▲† B. B. McCormick & Sons, Inc., 430 1st Ave. S., Box 248, Jacksonville, Fla. LB $3,597,408. Exten. Runway 18L-36R, U. S. Naval Air Station, Cecil Field, NBy-10242, Spec. 10242/57, JACKSONVILLE, FLA. Dist. P. Wks. Office, Sixth Naval Dist., Bldg. 13, Charleston, S. C. Bids June 24. CD 5/5.

▲ Thorington Constr. Co., Inc. & Alfred Spear (Individual) Box 10, Richmond, Va. LB $6,494,432 constr. tunnel with 2 ventilation bldgs., superimposed thereon and 2 open ramp sections related changes in existing streets, storm sewers detours, etc. 0.43 mi. in Fort Lauderdale at New River FAP No. U-003-3 (28) Job No. 8601-204 SR 5 (USL) Broward Co., FLORIDA. State Rd. Dpt., Tallahassee, Fla. Bids June 26. CD 5/13.

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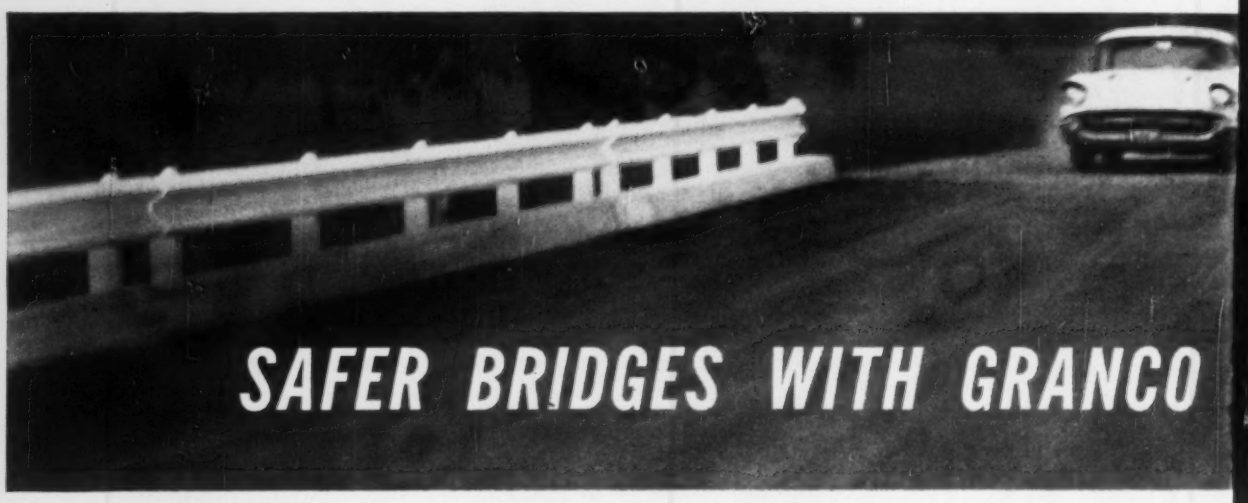

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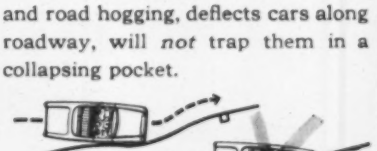

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▲ OHIO—State Hy. Dpt., Columbus, Zone 15.

O.—**Fischer Constr. Co.**, 4053 Clifton Ave., Cincinnati, O., CA $2,207,145, est. $2,230,000, Type T-71 and structures 4.347 mi. US R 40-5/98; SR 49-12.45, AC1-1097 (4) F-127 (2), Montgomery Co. CD 6/20, under LB.

O.—**The F. H. Brewer Co.**, P. O. Box 372, Lancaster, O., CA $314,817, wid'n., and b. conc. resurf. 7.248 mi. S.R. 75, Sections 17.25, 0.00 Falls Gore Twp. and Coal Twp., Type T-35, Hocking and Perry Counties. CD 5/20;

O.—**Shelly & Sands, Inc.**, Thornville, O., CA $203,222, est. $221,700, b. conc. wid'n. and b. conc. resurf. 6.329 mi. S.R. 77, Sections (12.04-12.15), Morgan and Bloom Twps., Morgan Co. Grand total $2,725,184. CD 5/20.

▲† **The Ferro Concrete Constr. Co.**, Mitchell Ave., Cincinnati, O., CA $5,299,174, Special AAA Facilities for Nike Site constr. for Cincinnati Defense Area, MC3480 6-27, OHIO. U. S. Eng., P.O. Box 2127, Huntington 18, W. Va. Bids June 25. CD 6/2.

▲ INDIANA—State Hy. Comn., John Peters, chn., State House Annex, Indianapolis, Zone 4. Bids opened 6/25.

Ind.—**Rieth-Riley Constr.**, Goshen, Ind., LB $288,636, est. $292,824 (2 bidders) c. conc. base wid'n. and bit. resurf., Constr. RS-4471, ST-31 K, BF-31 (15) Z, LaPorte Co.; LB $2,027,768, est. $2,191,512 (5 bidders), c. conc. pavement, Contr. R-4421, I-03-2 (8), Jackson Co.;

Ind.—**McMahan III. Corp.**, Rochester, Ind., LB $598,742, est. $625,996 (1 bidder), bit. pavement, aggregate base, Contr. R-4467, S-799 (2), Fulton Co.;

Ind.—**Olinger Constr.**, Huntingburg, Ind., LB $973,631 est. $1,174,926 (3 bidders), bit. pavement with macadam base, Contr. R-4432, S-851 (1, 2), Perry Co.;

Ind.—**Dyer Constr. Co.**, Dyer, Ind., LB $546,604, est. $563,249 (4 bidders) bit. pavement, aggregate base, Contr. R-4400, S-17 (3), LaPorte Co.;

Ind.—**The Hunt Paving**, 2450 S. Tibbs Ave., Indianapolis, Ind., LB $1,870,253, est. $1,902,251 (2 bidders) c. conc. Contr. R-4405, F-616 (6), Union and Wayne Counties;

Ind.—**J. C. O'Connor & Sons**, 2104 Miner St., Fort Wayne, Ind., LB $2,290,976, est. $2,691,046 (5 bidders), c. conc. Contr. R-4424, F-77 (23, 24, 25), Starke Co.;

Ind.—**Johnston Roadbuilders**, 1 S. Eastern St., Joliet, Ill., LB $500,530 (2 bidders), bit. pavement with macadam base, Contr. R-4468, S-817 (3), S-817 (4), Montgomery Co.;

Ind.—**McMahan Constr. Co.**, Rochester, Ind., LB $1,025,276, est. $1,130,827 (1 bidder), bit. pavement, aggregate base, Contr. R-4460, S-20 (2), S-348 (3), Fulton and Marshall Counties. CD 6/11.

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▲ **Emerald Constr. Co.**, 1034 S. Keiner, Columbus, O., CA Est. $2,500,000, 200 ranch-type HOMES in Luxair development on Scioto-Darby Creek Rd. and Hilliard Cemetery Rd., HILLIARDS, O. C. V. Perry Co., 40 W. Gay St., Columbus, O.

▲ **Leland Baum Co.**, 4330 W. Fond du Lac, Milwaukee, Wis., CA Est. $2,000,000, general contract 160x120 ft. Rose Bowl BOWLING ALLEY BLDG., WEST ALLIS, WIS. H. M. Schudson, 234 N. Broadway, Milwaukee, Wis. CD 6/17.

▲ **Pearson Constr. Co.**, Benton Harbor, Mich., CA $2,073,000, general contract HIGH SCHOOL, ST. JOSEPH, MICH. City, Bd. Educ., St. Joseph, Mich. Bids June 10. CD 6/24, under LB.:
C. L. Mahoney Co., Benton Harbor, Mich., CA $524,000, mechanical work (St. Joseph, Mich.).

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HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ IOWA-ILLINOIS—Davenport Bridge Comn., office of Mayor, City Hall, Davenport, Iowa,

Iowa-Illinois—**Dravo Corp.**, Neville Island, Pittsburgh, Pa., CA $1,559,415, sub-structure, for expansion and imprv. Iowa-Illinois Memorial Bridge over Mississippi River, between Bettendorf, Iowa and Moline, Ill., Contr. No. 1, Bids June 3. CD 5/13;

Iowa-Illinois—**Bethlehem Steel Co.**, E. 3 St., Bethlehem, Pa., CA $3,989,255, superstructure, Contr. No. 2, Bids June 24. CD 5/29.

▲† **Martin K. Eby**, 610 N. Main, Wichita, Kan., CA $5,659,696. Est. $4,864,000, Nike-Hercules Missile Areas, near Lawson and Lone Jack, Mo.; Gardner, and Pt. Leavenworth, Kan., ENG-23-028-58-77, MISSOURI-KANSAS. U. S. Eng., 1800 Federal Office Bldg., 911 Walnut, Kansas City 6, Mo. Bids June 25. CD 6/30, under LB.

▲† **Nelse Mortensen, Inc.**, 1021 Westlake North, Seattle, Wash. CA $2,492,757, officers quarters, airmens din-

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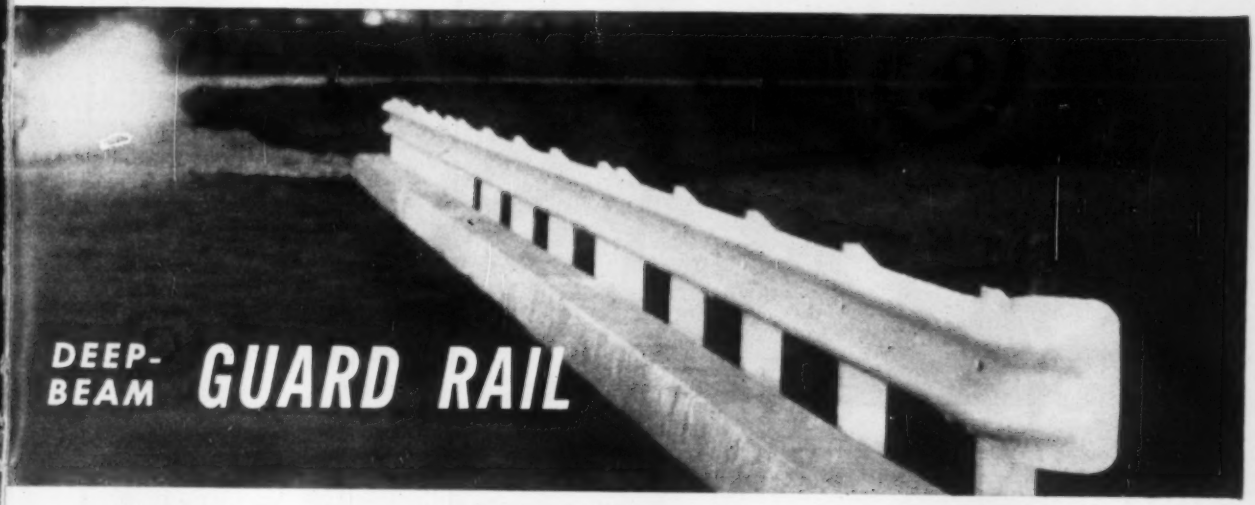

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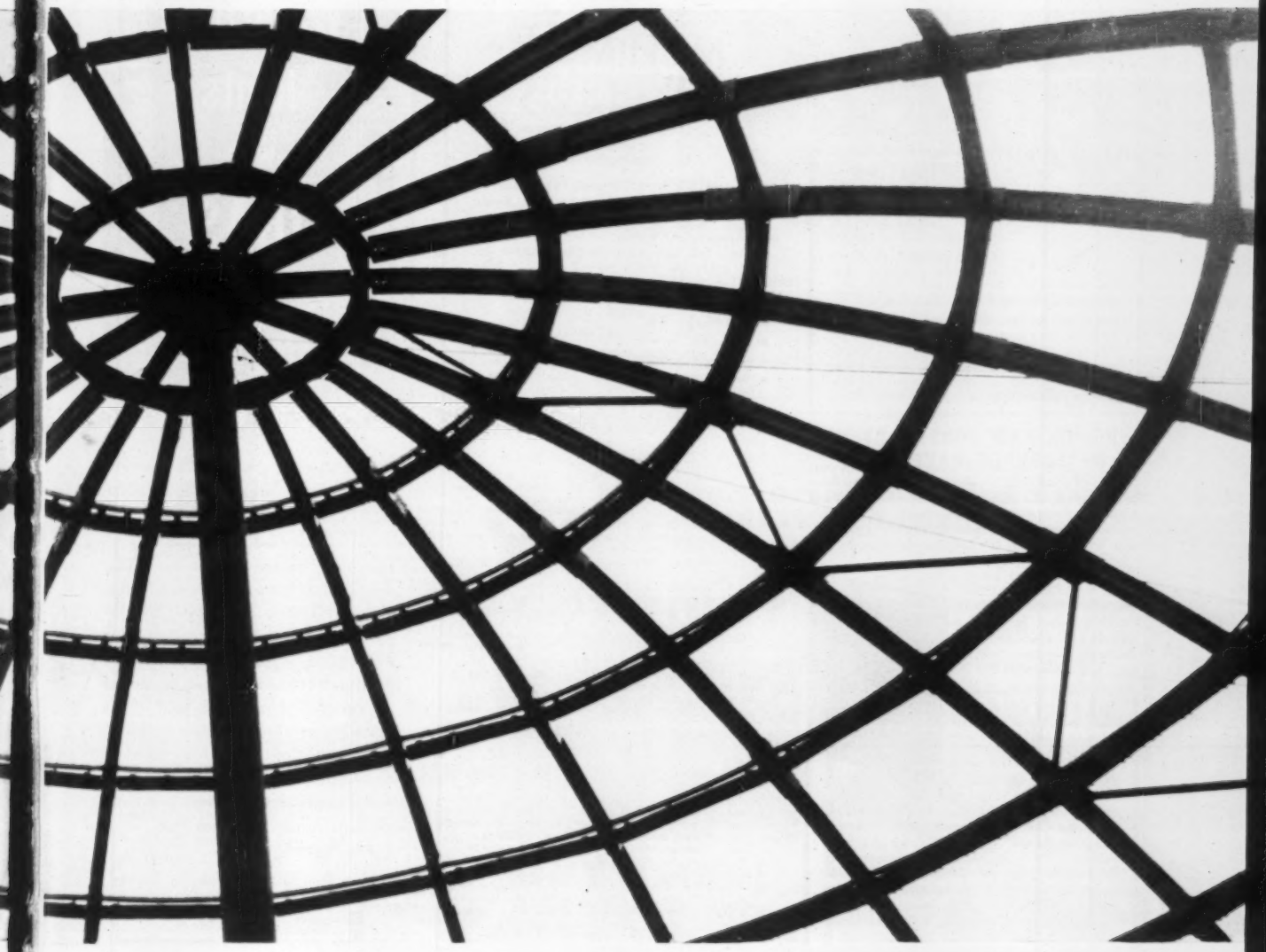

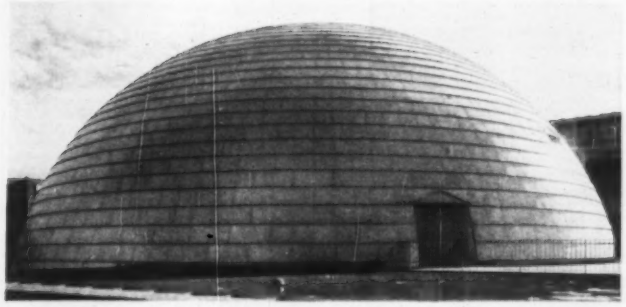

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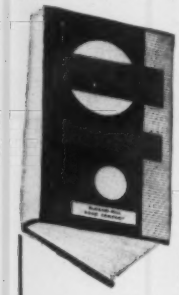

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ing hall and dormitories, ENG-45-164-58-60, GLASGOW, MONT. U. S. Eng., City-County Airport, Walla Walla, Wash. Bids June 10, awarded June 26. CD 6/13, under LB.

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▲ **H. A. Lott, Inc.**, Gen. Contractor, 4822 Allum Rd., Houston, Tex., LB **$2,035,900**, Proj. 10-4, P.H.A. HOUSING, WACO, TEX. Housing Auth. City of Waco, Box 978, Waco, Tex. Bids June 24. CD 6/6; **M. Z. Collins Constr. Co.**, Box 815A, Austin, Tex. LB **$347,224**. Proj. TEX 10-7 P.H.A. WELLINGS UNITS (Waco, Tex.).

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▲ **Calif., Los Angeles**—BA 7/25—Los Angeles Co. Flood Control Dist., 2250 Alcazar St., constr. storm drains, Proj. 19, Hollydale "A" in South Gate, Paramount, and Downey. $3,000,000. CD 11/7/52.

▲ **Utah, Salt Lake City**—ADMINISTRATION BLDG.—BA 7/31—Salt Lake City Corp., L. C. Romney, City Comn., City-County Bldg., administration bldg. at airport $3,750,000. Ashton, Evans & Brazier, 24 SW Temple St., Salt Lake City, archts. CD 9/20/56.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Calif., Los Angeles**—SCHOOL—BA 7/25—Bd. Educ., 1425 S. San Pedro, constr. Granada Hills High School, Zelzah St. $4,000,000. CD 12/2.

▲ **Calif., Oakland**—OFFICE etc.—BA 8/12—State Div. Architecture, 1120 N. St., Sacramento, 8 story office and 1 story bldg. with bsmnt. and roof structures about 200,000 sq. ft. floor area for State Dpt. Finance, W.O. 3848-GC-2. $2,710,000. Plans deposit $100.

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▲† **Rothschild, Raffin & Weirick**, 274 Brannan St., San Francisco, Calif. CA **$6,500,527**. Sacramento Deep Water Channel Proj., barge canal lock, bascule bridge power control and lighting sys. Spec. 1455, ENG-04-167-58-40, CALIFORNIA. U. S. Eng., 1209 8th St., Sacramento, Calif. Bids June 24, awarded June 27. CD 6/26, under LB.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 1120 N. St., Sacramento,
Guy F. Atkinson Co., 10 W. Orange Ave., South San Francisco, Calif. CA **$7,462,731** first unit exten. complex of interchange and ramp structures at Alemany Blvd. and James Lick Memorial Freeway involving 2 mi. bridge structures in San Francisco, IV—S.F.—2,68, San Francisco Co. Bids June 18. CD 6/20, under LB.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 120 S. Spring St., Los Angeles, Bids opened 6/26,
Boespflug Constr. Co., & J. T. McLaughlin, 605 S. Locust Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. LB **$2,804,457** (9 bidders) constr. 1.2 mi. 8 lane Golden State Freeway between Mission Rd. and 1/10 mi. north of Pasadena Ave., incl. 7 structures, VII-L.A 4-LA, Los Angeles Co. CD 5/29.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 120 S. Spring St., Los Angeles,
Peter Kiewit Sons' Co., 345 Kieways Ave., Arcadia, Calif., CA **$8,394,835**, constr. 4.1 mi. 8 lane freeway on Ventura Freeway, U. S. Hy. 101 between Laurel Canyon Blvd. and interchange at Jct. with San Diego Freeway incl. 15 bridges, VII-L.A-2-158 LA, Los Angeles Co. Bids June 12, awarded June 27. CD 6/16, under LB.

▲† **Gordon H. Ball**, 300 Camille Ave., Danville, Calif. LB **$2,076,876** (4 bidders), constr. runway extend. approach lighting and optical landing sys., at Marine Corps Air Station, Spec. 10014, EL TORO, CALIF. Eleventh Naval Dist., 1220 Pacific Hy., San Diego, Calif. Bids June 24. CD 6/5.

▲ **General Electric Co.**, 235 Montgomery St., San Francisco, Calif. CA **$2,442,482** furnishing, del. two 68,000 kva. vertical 1 shaft, water wheel driven, alternating current, synchronous type generators and excitation switch with appurtenant equipment and controls for Jaybird Power House, Upper American River Proj., El Dorado Co., SACRAMENTO, CALIF. Sacramento Municipal Utility Dist., 2101 K St., Sacramento, Calif. Bids June 18, awarded June 26. CD 6/20, under LB.

▲† **Gordon H. Ball, Inc. & Harbison & Mahoney**, 300 Camille Ave., Danville, Calif. CA **$2,299,991** air reserve hangar, heating plant, apron operational utilities, roads, McClellan Air Force Base, ENG-58-63, SACRAMENTO, CALIF. U.S. Eng., 1209 8th St., Sacramento, Calif. Bids June 24, Awarded June 25. CD 6/26, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲† **Hal B. Hayes & Assocs., Inc.**, 1235 Sierra Alta Way, Los Angeles, Calif. CA **$9,078,500**. 570 Capehart HOUSING UNITS, BEALE AIR FORCE BASE, CALIF. Base Procurement Office, Beale Air Force Base, Calif. Bids June 3. CD 6/10, under LB.

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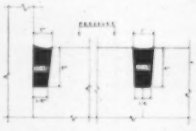

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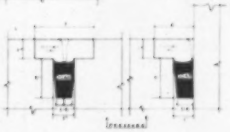

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▲† **Murray-Sanders & Assocs. and George A. Fuller Co.**, 2116 S. Main St., Santa Ana, Calif. CA **$7,154,914** (joint venture) 550 units Capehart HOUSING, HAMILTON AIR FORCE BASE, CALIF. Procurement Officer, Hamilton Air Force Base, Calif. Bids June 12. CD 5/20.

▲† **Curtiss-Wright, Industrial & Scientific Products Div.**, Quaker Bldg. Rd., Plainsboro, N.J. LB Est. $2,000,000. Ralph M. Parsons Co., 617 S. Olive, Los Angeles, Calif. major subcontractor (15 bidders) design, constr. and test operation of gamma facility to be known as HIGH INTENSITY FOOD IRRADIATOR (HI-FI) at Sharpe General Depot for Quartermaster Corp., Irradiated Products Inc. (Continental Can Co., Armour & Co., General Foods & Food Machinery and Chemical Co.) is in charge of production planning facilities, LATHROP, CALIF. Atomic Energy Comn., 518 17th St., Oakland, Zone 12, Calif. Bids May 16. CD 4/16.

▲† **General Investment Co.**, Longview, Wash., CA **$3,060,000**, 200 units FAMILY HOUSING, Larson Air Force Base, Inv. 11-626-58-5CH, MOSES LAKE, WASH., Procurement Office, Larson Air Force Base, Moses Lake, Wash. Bids June 3. CD 6/6, under LB.

▲ **Berry Constr. Co.**, 143 South Granite St., Ontario, Calif. LB **$2,202,170** (8 bidders) constr. Monte Vista HIGH SCHOOL, ONTARIO, CALIF. Chaffey Union High School Dist., 1245 N. Euclid Ave., Ontario, Calif. Bids June 25. CD 6/16.

▲† **Sun Gold, Inc., L. E. Dixon Co. & American Pipe Co.**, 3631 10th St., Riverside, Calif. CA **$7,894,210**, 540 Capehart FAMILY HOUSING UNITS at McClellan Air Force Base, SMPPCA, SACRAMENTO, CALIF. Directorate of Procurement & Production Bldg. 10, McClellan Air Force Base, Sacramento, Calif. Bids June 10, Awarded June 28. CD 6/12, under LB.

CANADA

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▲† **Argo Constr. Ltd.**, 3901 Namur St., Montreal, Que. LB About **$2,200,000** (9 bidders) constr. air passenger terminal, shop, ground powered equipment, squadron operations bldg., operation mission training bldg., readiness crew bldg., ready aircraft shelter at Harmon Air Base, ENG-30-347-58-14, STEPHENVILLE, NEWFOUNDLAND. U.S. Eng. Easter Ocean Dist., c/o Defence Constr. (1951) Ltd., Room 4, Temporary Bldg., 65 Lyon St., Ottawa, Ont. Bids June 24. CD 6/2.

▲ **Perini Ltd.**, 49 Jackes Ave., Toronto, Ont. CA Est. **$12,000,000**. 20 story, bsmnt., sub-bsmnt., etc. OFFICE BLDG., King and Yonge Sts., TORONTO, ONT. Tusca Investments Ltd., 55 Yonge St., Toronto, Ont. M.-S. Yolles & Assocs., 111 Richmond St. W., Toronto, Ont., engrs. Awarded June 23. CD 2/19.

ALASKA

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Peter Kiewit Sons Co.**, 1300 Aloha St., Seattle, Wash., CA **$1,885,286**. constr. Nike storage facilities at 4 sites near Fairbanks (Inv. 58-58) ALASKA. U.S. Eng., P. O. Box 1288, Anchorage, Alaska. Bids June 25. CD 6/4.
S. Patti Constr. Co., MacDonald Constr. Co. and M-B Contg. Co., Inc., 1310 S. Grand Ave. St. Louis, Mo. CA **$1,761,994**. constr. Nike storage facilities at 3 sites near Anchorage Inv. 58-57 (Alaska)

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲† **M-B Contracting Co., Inc.**, Lloyd Bldg., Seattle 1, Wash. CA **$5,883,808**. Sched. A, family HOUSING at Fort Richardson, Inv. 58-55 ALASKA and CANADA. U. S. Eng., 1519 S. Alaska Way, Seattle, Wash. Bids June 17. CD 6/20, under LB;
Manson Constr. & Eng. Co. and Osberg Constr. Co., 5209 E. Marginal Way, Seattle, Wash. CA **$4,402,872**, Sched. B, family housing at Ladd and Eielson Air Force Bases and along Haines-Fairbanks Fuel pipe line in Canada (Alaska and Canada)

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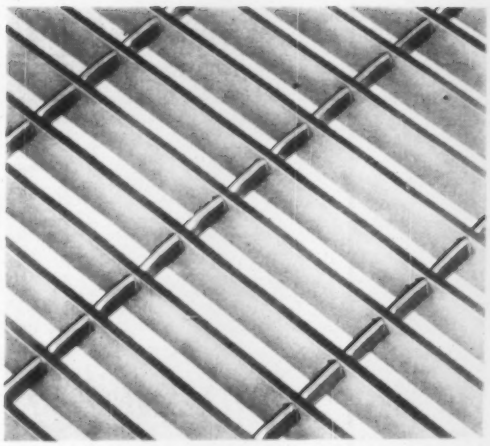

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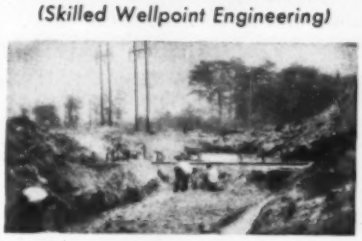

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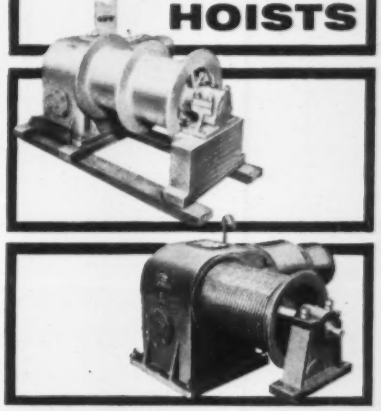

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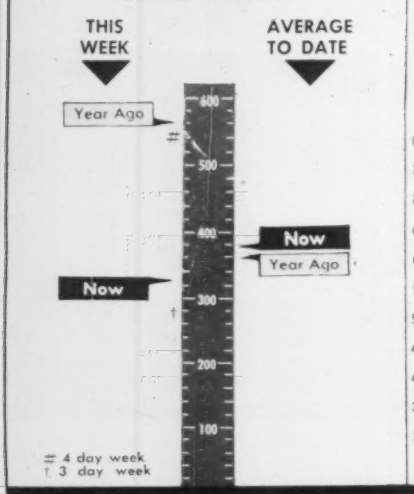
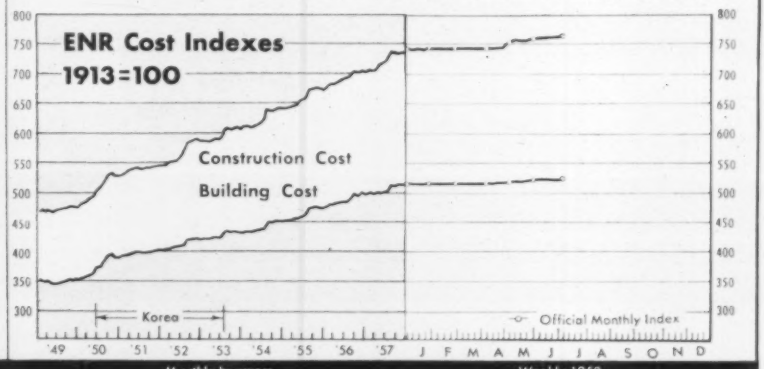


COST INDEXES AS OF NOW

ENR INDEXES (1913=100), 20-cities' average	Week of July 3 1958	% Change from May 29 1958	% Change from Jun. 27 1957
Construction Cost	762.52	+0.7	+5.3
Building Cost	524.29	+0.6	+3.5

*Official Monthly Index for July 1958.

To convert above indexes to 1926 = 100: Divide Construction Cost by 2.030; Building Cost by 1.850. 1949 = 100: Divide Construction Cost by 4.770; Building Cost by 3.518.



AMOUNT OF CONTRACTS LET

By Ownership	This Week	Cum. 28 wks 1958 millions	Chge '57-'58 %
All Heavy Constr.	$559.0	$10,653.4	+1
Private	100.8	4,376.6	−8
Public	458.2	6,276.8	+14
State & Municipal	260.9	4,451.9	+13
Federal	197.3	1,824.9	+16
By Type of Work			
Public			
Waterworks*	6.5	165.6	−20
Sewerage	8.0	325.7	+11
Bridges*	43.2	364.0	−11
Highways	86.7	1,730.1	+6
Earthwork, Waterways	18.9	675.1	+5
Buildings, Excl. Housing	64.0	1,426.6	+15
Housing	151.7	802.6	+105
Unclassified	79.2	795.7	+14
Private			
Mass Housing	43.2	2,009.3	+21
Commercial	16.4	1,054.3	+9
Industrial	39.3	1,049.0	−43
Unclassified	1.9	255.4	−2

*Includes private bridges.

NOTE: Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterways, $44,000; other public works, $73,000; industrial buildings, $93,000; other buildings, $344,000.

NEW CAPITAL FOR CONSTRUCTION

	Week of July 3	Cum. 27 wks 1958 millions	Chge '57-'58 %
Corporate Securities	$98.6	$2,915.8	−11
State and Municipal:			
All Except Housing	61.6	3,668.7	+27
Housing	...	33.8	−78
Federal Loans	2.6	94.5	−34
Federal Aid	...	....	−100
Total Nonfederal	$162.8	$6,712.8	−21
Federal Appropriations:			
Projects in U. S.	$ 35.0	$847.4	+178
Outside U. S.	...	5.3	−68
Total New Capital	$197.8	$7,565.5	−15

WAGE RATES, 20-cities average

	July 1958	% Change from June 1958	% Change from July 1957
Common	$2.463	+0.9	+7.1
Skilled (average 3 trades)	3.720	+1.0	+5.0
Bricklayers	3.939	+1.3	+4.8
Structural Ironworkers	3.692	+0.4	+4.6
Carpenters	3.477	+1.3	+5.6
Equipment operators (average three types)	3.369	+0.3	+6.6

MATERIAL PRICES, 20-Cities average

Structural Steel (average 3 mills), per cwt	5.275	0	+5.5
Lumber, 2x4 Fir, per M fbm	113.35	+0.6	−1.9
Lumber, 2x4 Pine, per M fbm	100.62	+0.4	−1.2
Cement, bulk, per bbl	3.982	+0.7	+1.5
Sand, per ton	2.501	0	+2.1
Ready-mixed concrete, per cu yd	13.871	+0.1	+2.2
Gypsum sheathing, ½"x2'x8', per Msf*	62.792	0	+0.1
Fiber board sheathing, ½" sq. ed., per Msf*	71.445	+0.1	−1.6
Mineral wool insulation, 3' batts, per Msf*	70.513	0	−1.6
Crushed stone, 1½", per ton, CL	2.838	0	+0.3
Concrete blocks, sand gravel, 8"x8"x16", each*	.228	0	+0.9

	June 1958	May 1958	June 1958
Brick, common per M	37.480	−1.3	−0.1
Lime, hydrated finishing, per ton, CL	38.713	+0.3	+6.7
Structural clay tile, 3x12x12", per M, 2,000 up*	185.403	+0.1	+2.7
Vitrified clay sewer pipe, std 12", per ft	1.270	+0.8	−0.2
Concrete sewer pipe, 12", per ft	1.290	0	+11.8

* Delivered, trucklots

ENR INDEX REVIEW

1957	Construction Cost 1913=100	Construction Cost 1919=100	Building Cost 1913=100	Building Cost 1919=100	Volume 1913=100	Volume 1919=100
Jul	724.15	151.81	506.62	144.01	587	170
Aug	738.63	154.84	516.90	146.93	528	153
Sep	737.78	154.66	516.12	146.71	466	135
Oct	737.14	154.53	516.78	146.90	506	146
Nov	737.43	154.59	516.81	146.91	457	132
Dec	738.08	154.73	516.27	146.76	357	103
1957 Average	723.85	151.74	508.67	144.59	517	150
1958						
Jan	743.44	155.85	516.79	146.90	368	106
Feb	743.77	155.93	515.78	146.61	446	129
Mar	744.41	156.06	516.09	146.69	520	150
Apr	745.78	156.34	516.61	146.85	585	169
May	751.57	157.56	513.48	147.38	674	195
Jun	757.31	158.77	521.09	148.12	661	191
Jul	762.52	159.85	524.29	149.03	...	...

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Awards in First Half Top '57

Heavy construction contract awards during the first half of this year scored the sharpest recovery ever recorded by ENR. The unprecedented rally pushes the six month total of $9.6 billion 2% above the same period of last year. It also is the second largest contract volume ever recorded during a first half. The record was set in 1956 when contracts tallied $11.9 billion.

The month of June, with $1.9 million in awards, established a record for a June month.

• Sparked by public works—Public construction gets the largest share of credit for boosting contracts. During the second quarter, federal awards jumped to nearly two and one-half times the first quarter volume.

Federal work topped 1957 by 5%, with a total $1.5 billion, during the first six months. This is a new postwar high for the first half.

State and municipal public works contracts also soared in the second quarter to push the six month total to a record just short of $4 billion, a 10% hike over 1957.

Only two major types of public construction failed to beat 1957 first half totals. Waterworks were off 22% and bridge contracts down 19%.

The gains ranged from 1% for highways to 65% for public housing. Most of the latter was "Capehart" military housing. Sewerage and public buildings other than housing scored an 18% gain over last year's first six months. Earthwork-dams-waterways awards were 3% higher. Public unclassified contracts were ahead by 4%.

Highway contracts in the first half set a six month record total of $1.5 billion.

• Private award rate slips—Although private construction contracts showed some added life in April and May, the rate of awards slipped in June to about the same as the low rates of February and March. The total for six months is 5% under 1957 and 42% below the record for the period set in 1956.

Industrial building accounts for the 1957-'58 decline in total private awards. Lower industrial plant contracts offset gains of 15% in commercial building, 23% in mass housing and 5% in unclassified work.

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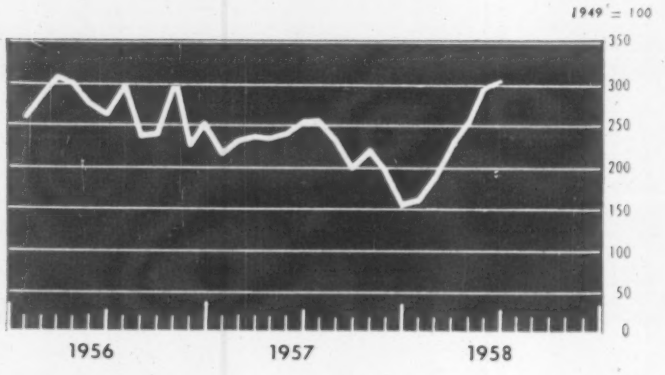
Heavy Construction Contracts . . .



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Four Weeks—Thousands of Dollars (000 Omitted)

	June, 1958						U. S. Cumulative Six Months		% Change	Canada June
	New England	Middle Atlantic	South	Mid-West	West of Mississippi	Far West	Total U. S.	1958	1957	'57 to '58	1958
Public Works											
Waterworks	515	2,504	8,605	3,092	9,883	3,445	28,044	157,280	200,785	−22	1,708
Sewerage	3,749	15,559	13,179	13,438	7,794	9,824	63,543	304,645	258,475	+18	2,956
Bridges	1,669	18,448	6,202	27,096	30,165	3,935	87,515	296,047	366,327	−19	5,162
Earthwork and waterways	1,950	75,585	29,438	18,114	21,507	51,281	197,875	604,304	589,466	+ 3	5,426
Streets and roads	11,811	63,637	69,714	46,409	90,425	30,833	312,829	1,541,484	1,521,529	+ 1	28,896
Public buildings, residential	11,058	19,079	14,635	6,722	34,052	35,120	120,666	585,530	354,046	+65	1,744
Other public buildings	13,673	39,841	23,600	59,975	28,460	57,076	222,625	1,302,151	1,105,567	+18	15,566
Unclassified	21,825	31,605	49,855	27,437	43,988	58,300	233,010	664,390	636,779	+ 4	12,015
Total public	**66,250**	**266,258**	**215,228**	**202,283**	**266,274**	**249,814**	**1,266,107**	**5,455,831**	**5,032,974**	**+ 8**	**73,473**
Federal government (included in above classifications)	28,948	28,810	92,772	64,229	94,212	132,734	441,705	1,457,328	1,381,890	+ 5	16,120
Private											
Bridges	.....	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	8,436	1,327	+536	.....
Industrial buildings	5,622	22,816	33,098	14,854	18,698	66,933	162,021	987,021	1,733,319	−43	16,965
Mass housing	33,678	130,675	9,852	60,044	57,524	19,086	310,859	1,921,626	1,562,636	+23	30,036
Commercial buildings	11,146	34,650	4,018	33,093	29,581	5,612	118,100	1,010,806	882,640	+15	15,959
Unclassified	1,367	2,635	10,457	8,416	19,677	.....	42,552	244,444	232,648	+ 5	2,533
Total private	**51,813**	**191,026**	**57,425**	**116,407**	**125,480**	**91,631**	**633,782**	**4,172,333**	**4,412,570**	**− 5**	**65,493**
Total Engineering Construction:											
June, 1958—4 weeks	**118,063**	**457,284**	**272,653**	**318,690**	**391,754**	**341,445**	**1,899,889**	.....	.....	.....	**138,966**
May, 1958—5 weeks	186,062	766,170	217,331	419,858	437,781	286,473	2,313,675	.....	.....	.....	219,191
June, 1957—4 weeks	115,662	299,383	147,942	501,734	272,925	223,701	1,561,367	.....	.....	.....	124,944
Six Months—1958	**612,860**	**2,702,728**	**1,201,468**	**1,752,816**	**1,912,050**	**1,446,242**	.....	**9,628,164**	.....	**+ 2**	**834,051**
Six Months—1957	622,817	2,311,575	1,067,690	2,045,885	1,733,827	1,663,750	.....	.....	9,445,544	.....	869,969
% Change '57 to '58	−2	+17	+13	−14	+10	−13	.....	.....	.....	.....	−4

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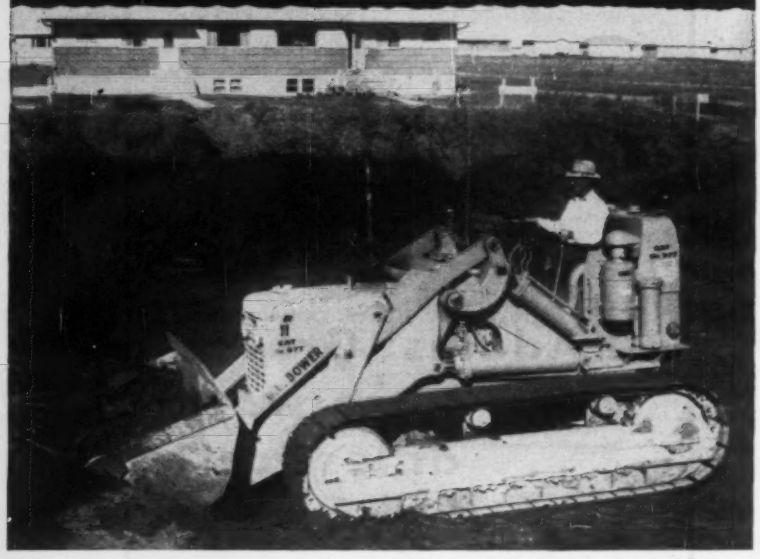

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• **A new trend?**—The slackening in June private work may signal the trend for the next few months. Proposed private construction entering the planning stage dropped below year-ago volumes in each month this year except in June. In that month, ENR's private construction backlog rose, bringing the six month total to $112 billion. However, because of outflow the amount is $100 million below the cumulative figure of May 31. The direction of the proposed work indicates no increase in private awards in the next six months. This suggests that awards for private construction during the next few months will be under the second quarter rate.

Should there be less bounce in private awards during the remainder of this year, pressure will be on state and municipal work to support new construction business at its current high level. And state and local awards can be expected to maintain their record-breaking pace through 1958. The amount of work in these areas in the planning stage has climbed steadily in the last several years. The trend continues upward this year.

• **State activity strong**—Heavy construction is running ahead of last year in 23 states. The gains range from 4% in New Mexico to 226% in Maine. Maine's lead over last year stems from major federal projects.

However, a 133% gain in Alabama reflects a fourfold boost in private awards, with industrial building the star performer.

New York State is first in contract volume with $1.2 billion during the first six months.

Declines were registered in such major states as California, off 11%; Ohio, down 9%; Illinois, down 17%; and Michigan, down 20%.

Two Consultants Are Named To Design $71 Million Road

Pennsylvania's Department of Highways has named two consulting engineers for preliminary design work on a 35 mile, $71 million section of interstate highway between Washington, Pa., and the Pennsylvania Turnpike, northwest of Pittsburgh.

Michael Baker, Jr., Inc., of Rochester, Pa., has 16 miles of the project on the northern half, while Berger Associates, Harrisburg, has the 19 miles from Washington, Pa., northward. The stretch of road to be designed by the two firms eventually will be a link in a north-south highway across western Pennsylvania between Erie and the West Virginia border.

Public Housing Request to Spark Fight

Proposals to enlarge construction program opposed by Administration because of large approved backlog

Democrats hope to push through the Senate a bill to break the federal-state standoff on public housing construction. In the last few years, the program has been riddled with dissension. As a result, construction has fallen far below levels authorized by Congress.

Democrats, with the exception of some Southerners, are backing a program they hope will speed the construction program. But a major fight looms over the controversial issue. The Administration is vigorously opposed to the Democratic plan and expects to lose a half-dozen Republican votes when the Senate takes up the omnibus housing bill this week.

The Democrat-backed measure, among other things, would authorize construction of an additional 35,000 units this fiscal year. The Administration strongly opposes this. It says 134,000 units already are approved for construction and until they are built, no more should be authorized.

Backers of public housing say the Administration is opposed to public housing and has acted to slow it down. This is true to an extent, but it is not the whole answer. The issue is many-sided, complicated by economic, political and social factors.

• **Opposition growing**—In one respect, the problem is to adjust a depression-born program to current circumstances. Though widely accepted as a social measure during the great depression, public housing has met increasing opposition in recent years.

Real estate brokers opposed to the concept of public housing have proved difficult to deal with. And attempts to establish projects outside high-rent downtown districts have run into strong opposition from homeowners in outlying and suburban sections. Even many low-income families have refused to move into public housing because they believe a social stigma is attached to it.

Then there are the so-called "problem families" in public housing projects. They have proved troublesome tenants by not taking care of the facilities. Many people, including some local public housing officials, argue that mixing rural and urban families of diverse backgrounds has led to the spread of juvenile delinquency. However, this is denied by the Public Housing Administration in Washington.

All of these factors to some degree have resulted in a slowdown in public housing construction. But perhaps the most serious accusation is that the Public Housing Authority in Washington has clamped a strait jacket on the program through its tightly held control of federal funds.

Sen. John Sparkman (D.-Ala.) says the basic reason for the dropoff is "excessive red tape and harmful effects of centralization." He contends that some local public housing officials have told him they are unable to buy even a broom or soap powder without clearance from Washington.

Since mid-1953 when the present Administration really took over the housing program, construction was undertaken on only about 70,000 of the 170,000 units authorized by Congress. Senator Sparkman and others contend there is a need for still more public housing, but red tape has killed the incentive of local officials to press for more.

The PHA does not deny it carries on an exhaustive review of all phases of the housing program. But it says this is necessary protection against misuse of federal funds and to provide assurance of high standards of performance at the local level.

• **Too much work**—But PHA officials deny that review has crippled the program. They say the real reason is that local officials are over-burdened by operation of some 435,000 existing projects. Therefore, they cannot press for more now. The result is a standoff; both sides blame each other.

Democrats are backing a bill of Sen. Joseph Clark (D.-Pa.) designed to meet many of the social objections and to return much of the administration to local officials. The House Banking Committee also is scheduled to consider similar measures this week.

Three main provisions are at the heart of the Clark bill:

• Allow more local administration of rents, budgetary controls, money to be spent for social planning, services, recreation and the entire administrative function.

• Require the federal government to help speed retirement of bonds issued to finance construction. This would result in full local control much sooner than is now generally the case.

• Raise the ceiling on family income where private housing is too expensive or inadequate. These families would pay higher rents, part of which would go to purchase of the housing unit by its occupants. In this way it is hoped families would take pride of ownership in their units and help overcome some of the social objections to housing of this type.

Small Price Drop

Repeal of the freight tax will dent materials prices

Contractors can expect only a modest cut in the cost of many materials now that the 3% federal excise tax on freight shipments has been eliminated. The repeal act was signed by President Eisenhower last week and takes effect August 1.

The reduction in rail shipping costs will stick unless railroads ask for, and obtain, higher rates to cover wage increases scheduled for railroad employees November 1. The decision to request rate increases from regulatory agencies has not yet been made, according to officials of two major eastern railroads questioned by ENR.

Contractors buying directly from producers are most certain to gain because freight costs are itemized separately for them. Contractors buying from warehouses or dealers also may get the saving. But since the purchase price that is quoted to them usually conceals freight charges, it is possible that the middlemen may not pass on the reduction.

The sums involved would be small in any case. Here are some cost comparisons on a few typical construction materials:

• Freight charges on a carload of cement hauled by rail from Hudson, N. Y., to New York City will be reduced from $324 to $316. The tax is $8 per carload, or $.02 per bbl.

• Freight charges on steel shipped from Bethlehem, Pa., to New York City now are $168.92 per carload of 40,000 lb. Without the tax, cost will be $164.

• A carload of transite pipe shipped by rail from Manville, N. J., to Boston has a freight charge of $251.32. But after August 1, it will cost $244.

• The federal tax on a 40,000 lb rail shipment of Douglas fir plywood sent from the West Coast to New York totals about $19.

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Anti-Recession Bill Pushed

New measure would provide federal loans and grants to strengthen industries in chronic depressed areas

The last of the Democrats' big anti-recession bills has moved a step further toward passage by Congress.

The House Banking Committee has approved the controversial depressed areas bill, by a vote of 17 to 4. The measure provides $275 million in federal loans and grants to help strengthen and enlarge industrial capacity in areas of chronic unemployment.

To qualify, areas must have experienced any one of the following work force conditions.

- 6% unemployed for 18 of the last 24 months.
- 9% for 15 of the last 18 months.
- 12% for the last 12 months.
- 15% for the last six months.

Such areas could secure funds for construction of new factory buildings, repair and modernization of old or unused factories and other buildings or for purchase and development of land and facilities.

Depressed-areas legislation of various types has been kicking around Congress for years. It took the recession this year to give it the push.

• Opposed by Republicans—Considerable opposition is expected from Republicans. GOP congressmen contend the measure is loosely written, and would allow many areas to qualify for funds that do not need them, except to tide them over during temporary setbacks.

Republicans say the measure should be restricted specifically to areas suffering from long-term unemployment resulting from migration of industry, technological changes that have made local industries obsolete or depletion of local resources. They would, however, allow expansion of the industrial base of communities dependent on one industry. They say that as the bill is now written, a city like Detroit, suffering high unemployment because of the depressed automobile market, also could come into the program. They argue that communities like that do not meet the particular aims of an area redevelopment bill.

• Fund distribution—The bill is similar to one passed by the Senate. It would set up a $100 million fund for redevelopment of urban areas and another $100 million fund for rural improvement. In addition, $75 million in direct grants also are provided. The Administration favored a more modest $50 million program.

The bill would establish a new agency to be known as the Area Redevelopment Administration within the Housing and Home Finance Agency. It would be headed by an area redevelopment commissioner.

As outlined in the bill, an over-all program for economic development of affected areas would be prepared and approved by the commissioner and his staff. The agency also could provide technical assistance to the various communities for evaluation of their needs and potentialities for economic growth.

LeTourneau Replies

Denies breaching contract with machinery producer

A breach of contract complaint made by LeTourneau-Westinghouse Co., of Peoria, Ill., against R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., and its president, Robert G. LeTourneau, has been denied by the defendants. Their answer was filed in federal court at Tyler, Tex.

LeTourneau-Westinghouse, wholly-owned subsidiary of Westinghouse Air Brake Co., of Pittsburgh, brought suit to block the immediate re-entry of LeTourneau into the earthmoving equipment business (ENR May 8, p. 24).

When Westinghouse Air Brake bought the earthmoving equipment business from LeTourneau, the latter agreed to remain out of that area of manufacturing for five years. That period ended last April 30. But LeTourneau-Westinghouse, the subsidiary established by Westinghouse Air Brake, says Mr. LeTourneau also agreed not to serve in any capacity for seven years with any person or corporation engaged in the manufacture or sale of earthmoving equipment.

Mr. LeTourneau, in reply, says he intends to remain as chief executive of his firm after it returns to the manufacture of earthmoving machinery. However, he answers that R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., is not an "other person" within the intent and meaning of the agreement.

Both defendants also deny that they manufactured or sold earthmoving equipment between May 1, 1953, and April 30, 1958. Mr. LeTourneau also

says that he was available for advice and consultation with LeTourneau-Westinghouse and during the stipulated period, submitted all ideas, drawings and inventions useful in the manufacture of earthmoving equipment. The brief claims that Mr. LeTourneau never was requested by the Peoria company to assign to it inventions, patent applications or patents during the term of his agreement.

ENR Cost Indexes Reach Record Highs in Many Cities

Large wage increases and higher materials prices moved July construction and building costs to an all-time high in many cities, according to ENR's 20 Cities Construction Cost and Building Cost Indexes.

Common labor wage rates now are 7.1% above last year to register the biggest year-to-year increase since 1948-49. The average hourly wage rate stands at $2.463, including fringe benefits. Rates for skilled labor are up 5% from last year. However, July brings an end to the rash of mid-year wage increases. Only three cities expect further construction trade wage boosts before the end of this year.

Lumber prices in July are almost at year-ago levels, while cement prices turn up after a temporary decline.

The Construction Cost Index for July is at a record 762.52, a 0.7% boost over the June reading of 757.31 and 5.3% over a year ago. The Building Cost Index, also at an all-time high, is 524.29 in July. This is 0.6% over the June value of 521.09 and 3.5% above last year.

ENR's skilled labor average increases are slightly more than common labor, reversing the trend prevailing earlier this year. The common labor wage average for 20 Cities is 0.9% over June. The average for bricklayers, carpenters, and structural ironworkers in ENR's 20 Cities is up 1.0% in July.

The upward momentum in lumber prices is continuing in July, with strong demand pushing prices closer to levels of a year ago. Southern pine 2x4 prices, while still 1.2% under last year, moved up 0.4% in July. Douglas fir 2x4's are 0.6% above June, but still 1.9% under a year ago. A strike threatening mills in British Columbia could send lumber prices even higher.

Cement prices turn up again in July. Two cities—Detroit and New Orleans—report prices are up an average of 10 cents a barrel in bulk. This reverses an earlier decline due to freight rate reductions, which were passed along from the dealer level to the buyers in some cities.

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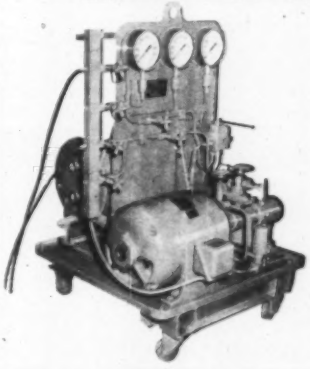

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Labor Bills Are Hanging in Air

The House is sniffing for direction of political winds, while hopes dim for welfare, reform, tax legislation

The Kennedy-Ives labor reform bill passed by the Senate with a lot of fanfare a few weeks ago may be dying a slow and quiet death.

In the weeks ahead, Congressional leaders will be playing the bill by ear. It will become law only if there's enough hue and cry for some kind of anti-racketeering legislation this year.

This is the political strategy of House Democratic leaders, and particularly Speaker Sam Rayburn—who has the Senate-passed Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act on his desk. What he does with the measure, approved by an 88-to-1 Senate vote, will determine its fate for 1958.

There are two choices to make:

• He can send the bill on its normal course to the House Labor and Public Welfare Committee. This would almost surely bury it. The committee is so split between conservatives and liberals that it has stalled on dead center when it comes to labor legislation.

• He can bypass the committee, and take the difficult route of sending the reform bill to the House floor. A two-thirds vote would be required to permit the bypass and such a vote would indicate some chance of final approval.

Normally, the powerful House Democrat channels Senate legislation through the proper House committee. The fact that Speaker Rayburn had not done so at ENR press time indicates he still may decide that it's necessary legislation in an election year. By holding on to the bill, there's always a chance such legislation can take the shorter route to passage in the House before August adjournment.

• **Bipartisan support**—At least one House Labor Committee member has that strategy in mind. Arizona Democrat Stewart Udall says he's trying to get bipartisan support for this approach directly on the House floor. "There's no chance at all for the bill," he says, if it's sent to the Labor Committee.

An object lesson on what happens when labor legislation gets to the House Labor Committee is displayed on the current reform legislation on health and welfare funds. Here, too, the Senate passed a bill requiring disclosure and policing of multi-million-dollar welfare funds—a month before it acted on the Kennedy-Ives labor reform bill.

The welfare bill went its normal route in the House, ending up before a House subcommittee. It now appears to be caught in a good mousetrap. The subcommittee resigned en masse when it took offense at a letter from members of the full committee asking that it speed up the legislation. Now, progress of the legislation is slowed down almost to a halt and possibly doomed.

Even if the Kennedy-Ives bill hits the House floor directly, it could be strangled in debate. Contrary to the tenor of its preamble, a sixth of the bill is devoted to Taft-Hartley Act amendments. Some are quite basic—a federal approach to elimination of the jurisdictional "no-man's land," restoration of voting rights in representation elections to economic strikers, requiring non-communist affidavits from employers, making it easier for construction unions to organize non-union workers through use of a pre-hire contract with a seven-day union shop clause.

And to anyone sensitive to labor legislation, any amendment to the law is a controversial one.

The big question to the Democratic leadership is still whether this is a good year for labor legislation. The clamor for an anti-racket measure that arose when the McClellan Racket Committee revelations first developed 18 months ago has died down—and almost out. Despite continuing committee hearings on union corruption, legislators in the House have not sensed that their constituents are demanding reform.

This apathy today, of course, could turn around in the weeks ahead with any new racket revelations from the Senate probers—or as it becomes a political subject with elections coming closer.

• **The final version**—The leave-it-up-in-the-air approach to the legislation, however, does have strategic value despite the risks involved. It might help to assure a House-passed bill that looks almost like the Senate version by limiting time for extensive debate and change. This would mean a liberal measure that's directed mostly at disclosure and policing of union funds and the activities of union officers.

Because most of the Senate bill deals with labor reform and some new democratic rules for labor unions, organized labor generally approves it. The AFL-CIO wants it passed in the House, with some proposed changes for bargaining purposes, because of its mild approach.

The AFL-CIO building trades, too, like the Senate bill. The monthly bulletin of the Building Trades Department describes the Senate passage as a "victory" and gives a "great deal of credit" to the annual legislative conferences of craft union delegates for the Senate approval.

These conferences have been held for the last four years and are one of the many significant post-war developments in the labor movement that largely account for the form and content of pending labor legislation.

When the Taft-Hartley Act was passed 11 years ago, labor stood low in public favor because of the strong action it took to regain strength after the toll of war. But through the years, labor has proceeded to heal its internal wounds, to work through merger toward common goals, to participate in community services and to engage in political action.

Coupled with labor's recent efforts to improve its moral standards, these add up to an effective public relations program that has helped to win new friends for labor among both public and private citizens. They have also enabled the labor movement to ride out the storm blown up by the McClellan committee.

In short, they've turned a host of anti-labor legislative proposals into the rather mild Kennedy-Ives bill and have kept the Taft-Hartley and anti-trust laws from putting labor in a tighter vise.

• **Legislation churns on**—While labor reform legislation, however, shifts with the tide, the building trades unions are pressing for other legislative action in the House. They want tax relief for construction workers on projects away from home.

Building Trades President Richard J. Gray and President of the plumbers' union, Peter T. Schoemann testified on the tax matter before the monetary affairs subcommittee of the House Government Operations Committee—urging that the tax deductions be permitted.

There has been a long legal fight over the issue: Whether a construction worker can deduct his travel and living expenses while on a construction project away from home. There is no uniform decision on the matter from the Internal

Revenue Service, though for the most part such tax relief has been denied.

The construction unions put the matter before Congress, while at the same time, it's up before the Supreme Court for solution.

The high court will act, in its 1958-59 term, on the Peurifoy case which involves tax deductions by three building tradesmen who lived in rooming houses near their work project while maintaining homes from 78 to 122 miles from the construction site.

The Internal Revenue Service rejected their tax relief claim; the U. S. Tax Court allowed the deductions. This case is now on the docket for the fall term of the Supreme Court and the pending ruling is likely to delay any legislation on the matter.

ESA Perfects Its Structure

Union says its officers must be professionals, sets up a new national union inside the federation

Engineers and Scientists of America has reiterated its emphasis on professionalism by adopting a constitutional amendment that assures administration of the union by officers and directors who meet an accepted definition of a professional engineer.

The action was taken at ESA's Sixth Annual Convention held last month in New York City.

ESA is a national federation of labor unions representing professional engineers and scientists. It claims a membership of 25,000. Although it originally embraced both professionals and technicians, it has moved toward a membership restricted to professionals and says that goal now has been 99% achieved.

Under the amended constitution, an ESA officer or Executive Board member must meet one of the following qualifications:

- Be licensed as a professional engineer under a state law that meets the criteria endorsed by the engineering societies under the "Model Law" of 1946.
- Have a degree in science or engineering from an accredited college and have been employed as a professional engineer or scientist for at least four years.
- Have been engaged in professional engineering or scientific work as defined by the Taft-Hartley Act for at least eight years.

At the same time, ESA extended the terms of its officers from one to two years and imposed a requirement that each member unit must audit its books and records at least once a year and make the audit report available to its members.

ESA also authorized formation of a national union within the federation. This step was taken to facilitate organizing and to avoid the economic liability of small member units. All new units representing less than 300 employees will be chapters of the National Unit, which will act as bargaining agent for the chapters. When a chapter achieves a dues-paying membership of 1,000, it must apply to ESA for membership as a unit.

Joseph Amann and Albert A. Orth, Jr., were re-elected president and vice president, respectively. Mr. Amann, a former employee of Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. and a registered professional engineer in the State of Minnesota, has headed ESA since its inception in 1953.

Equality Wanted

NSPE says doctors and lawyers are favored under Wage and Hour Law

A charge of discrimination against professional engineers has been hurled at the U. S. Labor Department by the National Society of Professional Engineers.

The charge relates to the exemption of professional employees from the minimum wage and overtime provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act, which applies to employees engaged in interstate commerce. NSPE has asked the department without success to show the employed, licensed, professional engineer the same deference it shows doctors and lawyers.

Employees covered by the law must be paid straight-time wages at least equal to the minimum wage and overtime at the rate of time-and-a-half for hours in excess of 40 a week. Professional employees, as defined by the Wage and Hour Administrator, are exempt. One of the tests for exemption is a salary of $75 a week or better. The test is not applied to doctors and lawyers. For nearly 10 years, NSPE has tried to get similar treatment for the licensed engineer.

Here's the essence of NSPE's argument: The licensed engineer is a recognized professional; the salary test is discriminatory and it works against the professional status of engineers because of the law's overtime provisions. For example, a young engineer denied exemption because of the salary requirement is forced to punch a time clock along with production and clerical workers who are paid by the hour.

"It is hard for us to understand," says NSPE, "how the profession of engineering can be recognized, praised, hailed and commended for its contribution to the nation's welfare . . . on the one hand, and made subject of an obvious and unwarranted discrimination . . . on the other hand."

As a result of a hearing held two years ago, the government is about to amend its regulation on professional exemption.

NSPE is opposing a proposal that the weekly salary minimum required for exemption be upped to $90—without excluding licensed engineers.

NSPE argued at the hearing for elimination of the requirement. It said the test of professionalism should turn on duties performed; that engineers should be exempted, along with doctors and lawyers, if the requirement is kept. The hearing officer rejected NSPE's arguments and the society has just filed a rebuttal.

A number of unions, both AFL-CIO and independent, incidentally, have urged that the salary test be raised to $125 minimum. To NSPE, this would compound the discrimination.

Utility Workers Protest Construction by Contract

A municipal decision to have work performed by outside contract instead of by force account has touched off a protest by a local of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the Los Angeles Civic Center Chapter of Engineers and Architects Association.

Two Los Angeles Department of Water & Power contracts, totaling $410,918, have been awarded for construction of three underground cable ducts at the Scattergood steam electric generating plant in El Segundo.

Some 4,500 department workers, as a result, have demanded the ouster of W & P Commissioner J. A. Thompson.

The workers claim that 50 IBEW workers will have to be laid off temporarily and that the favoring of private contracts, if followed consistently, will threaten the job security of many of the department's 11,000 workers.

Cost of the projects, if done by the department's own crews, would have amounted to $8,500 more than the contract awards.

Iron Workers Out on Strike

Areas in three states affected, settlements with some locals and with other trades run from 12½ to 25 cents

An iron workers' strike in a three-state area, new long-term labor contracts for annual wage boosts of 12½ cents an hour or more, and an uneasy labor peace in parts of Wisconsin wind up another week of the construction industry's collective bargaining negotiations.

Following the expiration of their old labor agreements, more than 1,800 iron workers struck in sections of Delaware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The July 1 walkout tied up millions of dollars worth of construction work in Philadelphia, Reading, Harrisburg, Bethlehem, Scranton, Wilmington, Camden and Atlantic City.

Union members, now averaging $4.50 an hour, are asking for a 25 cent hourly wage boost for each of the next two years, plus increased pension benefits.

• **Settlements**—Iron workers in northern New Jersey, settled for a three-year contract that grants a 15 cent wage increase each year, plus 2% for pensions. In Trenton, the union's local 68 accepted 12½ cents each year under a three-year contract that also calls for a 5 cent welfare contribution.

Meanwhile, a bricklayers union local in the Trenton area went on strike for an hourly wage increase of 25 cents.

Elsewhere, a wage package of 42½ cents was accepted by three locals of the painters union in Buffalo, N. Y. The two-year pact, which ends a strike that began June 1, provides for an immediate wage increase of 15 cents, another 5 cents December 1, 10 cents June 1 and 5 cents December 1, 1959. It also calls for 7½ cents in welfare—2½ cents now and 5 cents next June 1.

Progress also has been made toward settlement of a three-week roofers' strike that has cost an estimated $2 million in damages, lost wages and delays in Chicago. The tentative agreement, which will not be disclosed until after ratification, was suggested by a federal mediator. The union had asked for 10 cents in wages and 10 cents in welfare. But the main issue in the dispute centered around working rules that contractors say are restrictive and obsolete.

• **Deadlocks**—A gloomier picture, prevailed last week in Detroit, where a tie-up of major building projects appeared likely as 750 members of the Resilient Floor Decorators, Carpet, Linoleum Tile and Acoustical Workers struck 105 firms for a 15 cent wage increase.

Negotiation deadlocks were plaguing the Milwaukee area, where 19,000 construction workers have been working without contracts.

Principal negotiations are with the Allied Construction Employers Association, which initially asked for a year's wage freeze, but finally countered a 41 cent union demand with an offer of 8 cents an hour.

Contractors are seeking united industry pension and welfare funds, among other things. They say the funds should be consolidated for administration and purchase of insurance.

Glaziers in Milwaukee have settled for a 25 cent wage boost, plus 3 cents an hour for welfare. Workers have accepted a 15 cent wage increase. And boilermakers not involved in the Allied Construction negotiations have signed for 15 cents an hour, effective July 19. That contract covers 4,000 construction boilermakers in the 11-state Missouri River Basin area.

Good Safety Record

Work on St. Lawrence has low accident toll

Dedication of the St. Lawrence Seaway last week (p. 21) marked another milestone in the construction industry's continuing efforts to improve its safety record.

An accident frequency rate of less than the average for the heavy construction industry was achieved during the multi-million-dollar construction work on the Seaway's Snell and Eisenhower Locks and on Long Sault Canal that connects the two.

An "enlightened attitude" on the part of the sponsoring contractors, complete cooperation of labor and "a growing stability" of construction workers are responsible for this achievement, according to Employers Mutuals of Wassau, which insured 90% of the construction work.

Only three fatalities occurred among the nearly 4,000 workers over a two-year period. (At least 100 fatalities could have been expected on a job of this size, safety experts say.) There was an average of 9.0 accidents per million man-hours. The industry average is 19.0.

The moral for other contractors perhaps is this: Safety doesn't just occur by itself. It must be planned; it must be pushed; it must be sold.

Pre-planning of safety measures started months before the Seaway work began. Management, labor and the insurance carrier worked together continuously, and labor participated in every phase of accident prevention.

New workers were given safety indoctrination. Safety messages were displayed on everything—paychecks, equipment, billboards. Use of hard hats and other safety equipment was mandatory. Watchdog safety committees were set up. Periodic progress meetings were held. Safety consciousness took root and prospered.

But is this the full answer? The insurance carrier says "no" and points to what it calls worker "stability." One out of every five workers on the Snell lock, it says, was a college graduate; and use of family-size house trailers enabled many transient workers "to lead normal home lives while on the job."

Sponsoring contractors are Perini Corp., Morrison-Knudsen Co. and Peter Kiewet Co.

Government Alters Policy On Recruiting Engineers

Federal agencies may find it easier from now on to hire "hard-to-find" professional scientific and engineering personnel.

Under a new policy, agencies may recruit for approved positions through employment services operated on a non-profit basis under the sponsorship of professional societies. An example of such a service is The Engineering Societies Personnel Service, Inc., sponsored by eight engineering societies.

Effect of the change, announced by the U.S. Civil Service Commission (Circular No. 949) is to lift some of the restrictions against use of employment services that charge fees for placement. It is, for example, a basic principle that no employee shall be required to pay a fee to secure federal employment.

Agencies using authorized services, however, must pay any placement fees imposed. Only those with legal authority to use their funds for such purposes can participate in the program.

In certain cases, prior approval of the Civil Service Commission is necessary before referral orders can be placed with authorized employment services. In all cases, similar orders must be placed with the local State Employment Service.

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County	Contract No.	Name	Miles	Type	Deposit	Estimated Cost of Work
DISTRICT No. 1, G. L. NICKERSON, District Engineer, 353 Broadway, Albany 1, New York						
Albany & Greene (Rte. 9W)	FARC 58-77	Coxsackie–Ravena Pt. 1 & Pt. 2 S.H. 5198-5370 Ravena Greene County Line, S.H. 5652 Proj. No. DF 365(6)	6.93	Asphalt Concrete	$17,000 Plans $2	$310,000
Greene (Rte. 9W)	FARC 58-75	Catskill–West Coxsackie Pt. 1B & Pt. 2, S.H. 8414-8384 Proj. No. DF 558(7)	9.55	Asphalt Concrete	$17,000 Plans $2	319,000
Saratoga (Rte. 9)	RC 58-69	Various Locations on Saratoga–Glens Falls Pt. 3, S.H. 443	....	Roadside Development	$280 Plans $2	5,000
Schenectady, Warren & Washington (Rtes. 159, 8, 7, 147, 418, 313)	RC 58-83	BR. No. 1 S.H. 163; Br. No. 1 S.H. 880; Br. No. 1 S.H. 1338; Br. No. 1 & Br. No. 2 S.H. 1021; Br. No. 1 S.H. 1023 & Br. No. 1 S.H. 8479.	....	Cleaning & Painting 7 Bridges	$1,300 Plans $2	23,000
DISTRICT No. 2, LACY KETCHUM, District Engineer, 109 No. Genesee Street, Utica 1, New York						
Oneida	MTC 58-1P	New York State Thruway–Mohawk Section Subd. 9 (Thruway Connection to Utica North–South Arterial)	1.21 (0.62 Acc.)	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. Var. Wide	$17,000 Plans $2	302,000
DISTRICT No. 3, EARLE E. TOWLSON, Acting District Engineer, 333 E. Washington St., Syracuse, New York						
Cayuga (Rte. 38)	FARC 58-87	Port Byron–Conquest, S.H. 8087 Proj. No. DF 66(2)	0.35	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 22' Wi. Comp. I Beam Br. 92'	$14,000 Plans $2	252,000
Onondaga (Rtes. 5, 11, 298, 31, 48, 174, 370 & 57)	RC 58-88	Various Locations on S.H. 5587, S.H. 8025, S.H. 5470, S.H. 672, S.H. 1039, S.H. 5396, S.H. 132, S.H. 5143, S.H. 5080, S.H. 8496, S.H.9083, S.H. 1040, S.H. 670, and S.H. 5274.	....	Roadside Development	$700 Plans $2 (Prop. Only)	13,000
Onondaga	FIC 58-9 FIRC 58-74	Interstate Route No. 505 (City of Syracuse: Oswego Blvd.); Syracuse Mattydale Fash 54-3 and Phoenix–Syracuse, S.H. 5274 Proj. No. I-1127(4)	2.48 (3.73 Acc.)	Electrical Lighting Facilities	$13,000 Plans $2	226,000
Oswego (Rte. 13)	FARC 58-78	Pulaski–Williamstown Pt. 2, S.H. 972 Proj. No. DF 533(5)	0.67	Asphalt Concrete Ty. 1A	$5,000 Plans $2	91,000
Oswego	FISH 58-26	Interstate Route 505 (Central Square–Parish) Central Square–Constantia, S.H. 1243 C. R. No. 12, 32 and 38. Proj. I-1118(15)	9.01 (4.01 Acc.)	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 2 @ 24' Var. Wide = 10.50 Mi. Asph. Conc. Ty. 1A = 1.50 Mi. Bit. Stone Surface Treat. = 1.02 Mi. 4 Hy. Seps. Comp. I Beams 221', 2841', 250.9' and 226.5' 3 R.C. Closed Box Brs. 24', 26', and 26'	$340,000 Plans $50 (Full Size)	6,262,000
DISTRICT No. 4, B. F. PERRY, District Engineer, Barge Canal Terminal, Rochester 1, New York						
Monroe (Rte. 33A & 47)	FARC 58-82	Chili Road Pt. 1, S.H. 254; Howard Road, S.H. 9350 Rapids–Rochester, S.H. 401; Proj. No. DU 231(11)	1.19	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 2 @ 24' Wide = 0.53 Mi. Asph. Conc. = 0.64 Mi.; Misc. Work = 0.02 Mi. Precast Conc. Beam Bridge 30'	$40,000 Plans $3	748,000
DISTRICT No. 5, E. G. YOUNGMANN, District Engineer, State Office Bldg., 65 Court Street, Buffalo 2, New York						
Cattaraugus (Rtes. 39, 17, 62, 16, 18)	RC 58-89	Various Locations on S.H. 1170, S.H. 730, S.H. 1611, S.H. 1657, S.H. 8160, S.H. 1480, S.H. 960, S.H. 1254, S.H. 5607, S.H. 5608, S.H. 8030, S.H. 5265, S.H. 5259A, S.H. 1269, S.H. 1275, S.H. 1568, S.H. 1569 and S.H. 958.	....	Roadside Development	$700 Plans $2 (Prop. Only)	12,000
Erie	FINTC 58-3 FAC 58-10	Interstate Route No. 506 (New York State Thruway–Niagara Sect.) City of Buffalo: Kensington Expy. Outlet Drain Proj. No. I-865(17); U 377(14)	4.17	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. Var. Width = 1.10 Mi. Asph. Conc. Ty. 2B = 2.30 Mi. Outlet Drain = 0.28 Mi. Misc. Work = 0.49 Mi. 6 Ramp Structures 256'; 568'; 1550', 968', 568', 848' Viaduct Alterations	300,000 Plans $20	5,643,000
Erie (Rte. 20)	FARC 58-73	Southwestern Boulevard, S.H. 9239 Proj. No. DF 1079(6)	4.12	Asphalt Concrete	$48,000 Plans $2	857,000
Erie & Niagara (Rte. 18)	RC 58-84	Br. No. 4 Lawton–Gowanda, S.H. 525B Br. No. 3 Youngstown–Olcott, Pt. 2, S.H. 8324A	0.11	Cleaning & Painting 2 Bridges	$1,400 Plans $2	26,000
Erie & Niagara (Rtes. 18, 104, 31, 358, 20A)	RC 58-90	Various Locations on S.H. 1754, S.H. 9052, S.H. 617, S.H. 9105, S.H. 1316, S.H. 5417, S.H. 5416, S.H. 5319, S.H. 5431, S.H. 5563, S.H. 1491A, S.H. 1491, S.H. 529, S.H. 5635 and S.H. 86	....	Roadside Development	$1,000 Plans $2 (Prop. Only)	18,000
DISTRICT No. 6, J. H. THOMAS, District Engineer, State Office Bldg., 30 West Main Street, Hornell, New York						
Chemung	FASS 58-4	Breesport C.R. No. 1 Proj. S 4(2)	0.15	Bit. Mac. Ty. 1 Prestressed Conc. Beam Br. 61.3'	$6,000 Plans $10 (Full Size)	111,000
Chemung & Tioga (Rte. 34)	FARC 58-91	Waverly–Lockwood, S.H. 1078, Lockwood–Van Etten Pts. 1 & 2 S.H. 8224 Proj. DF 995(3); DF-102(3)	7.24	Asph. Conc. Comp. I Beam Br. 169.5', Prestressed Conc. Br. 44', Repairs to Two Existing Brs.	110,000 Plans $5	2,107,000
Steuben (Rte. 15)	FARC 58-79	Bath–Avoca, S.H. 5204 Proj. DF-225(12); DF-627(11)	2.28	Asph. Conc. Incl. Repairs to Two Existing Brs.	$20,000 Plans $2	367,000
Schuyler & Steuben (Rte. 226)	FARC 58-76	Savona–Bradford, S.H. 1102 Bradford–Tyrone, S.H. 1420 Proj. S-775(2)	8.79	Asph. Conc. = 0.59 Bit. Mac. Ty. 1 = 8.20 Mi. Comp. I-Beam Br. 45' Widen. Exist. R.C. Slab Bridge 24'	$75,000 Plans $10	1,375,000
DISTRICT No. 7, R. W. SWEET, District Engineer, 444 Van Duzee Street, Watertown, New York						
Jefferson (Rte. 12E)	FARC 58-71	Cape Vincent–Watertown Pt. 2, S.H. 1164 Proj. DF-565(4)	4.62	Asph. Conc. Ty. 1A = 4.56 Mi. Misc. Work = 0.06 Mile	$43,000 Plans $3	780,000
St. Lawrence (Rte. 37C)	FARC 58-72	Massena–Helena Pt. 2, S.H. 1265 Proj. DS-367(3)	2.40	Asph. Conc. Ty. 1A	$19,000 Plans $3	340,000
St. Lawrence (Rte. 11 & 87)	PSC 8143	Elimination of Grade Crossing of the New York Central Railroad with Richville–DeKalb Junction Pts. 1 & 2 S.H. 8476-9236 (Bairds Crossing)	0.72 (0.17 Acc.)	Asph. Conc. Ty. 1A Hy.–RR Sep. Comp. I-Beam 251'.	$34,000 Plans $3	629,000
St. Lawrence (Rte. 68)	FARC 58-85	Canton–Pierrepont, S.H. 1126 Proj. No. DS-435(1)	1.10	Bit. Mac. Double Surf. Treat. = 1.00 Misc. Work = 0.10 2 R.C. Slab Bridges 30' and 30' 1 I-Beam Bridge 48.2'	$29,000 Plans $3	523,000
DISTRICT No. 8, K. G. RAUER, District Engineer, Pleasant Valley Road, Poughkeepsie, New York						
Columbia (Rte. 23)	FARC 58-81	Hollowville–Craryville, S.H. 763; Craryville–State Line, S.H. 762 Proj. No. DF-564(7)	4.34	Asph. Concrete 4 R.C. Closed Box Brs. 25.1', 47.4'; 38.2' and 21'	$40,000 Plans $3	685,000
Dutchess (Rte. 44)	FARC 58-49	Pleasant Valley–Washington Hollow, S.H. 748 Washington Hollow–Millbrook, S.H. 609 Proj. DF-633(3)	3.70	Asph. Concrete	$22,000 Plans $2	398,000
Putnam (Rte. 6)	FARC 58-80	Brewster–Carmel, S.H. 909 Proj. DF-590(4)	0.56	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 24' Wide Repairs to Exist R. R. Gr. Sep. Struct.	$11,000 Plans $2	200,000
DISTRICT No. 9, J. C. FREDERICK, District Engineer, 71 Frederick Street, Binghamton, New York						
Delaware (Rte. 30)	FARC 58-86	Margaretville–Halcottsville, S.H. 5384 Proj. No. DS-459(2)	0.46	Asph. Conc. Ty. 1A Comp. I-Beam Br. 84'	$14,000 Plans $15 (Full Size)	234,000
DISTRICT No. 10, M. E. GOUL, District Engineer, 325 W. Main Street, Babylon, L. I., New York						
Nassau	FAC 58-11	Glen Cove Arterial, Cont. 2 (Long Island Railroad to Pratt Boulevard) Proj. No. U-1102(2)	0.59	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 2 @ 25' Wide = 0.53 mile Misc. Work = 0.06 mile Hy. Sep. Weld. Plate Girder 175'	$74,000 Plans $5	1,344,000
Queens	FICE 58-1	Int. Rte. Conn. 513 Clearview Expressway (Cont. 1D) Proj. No. I-1112(6)	3.05	Demolition of Buildings	$15,000 Plans $2	266,000

Any projects in this letting that are on the Federal Aid highway systems are subject to the provisions of the "Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956", being Public Law 627, 84th Congress, approved June 29, 1956, and are also subject to the applicable New York State statutes.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 115 (Prevailing Rate of Wage) Public Law 627, the minimum wages to be paid laborers and mechanics are included in wage schedules that are set out in the bid proposal.

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OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

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Maps, plans, specifications and proposal forms may be seen and obtained at the office of the State Department of Public Works, Bureau of Contracts, Albany, N. Y., and at the office of the District Engineers noted above, and may also be seen at the office of the State Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York City.

The deposit for Plans and Proposal Forms for each contract is indicated above. A refund will be made in full to bidders for return of one set, in good condition, within 30 days of award, or rejection of bids; refund for all other sets in good condition, similar period, will be 50% of deposit.

Special attention of bidders is called to "Information for Bidders" in the Public Works Specifications, and to the special provisions applying to projects financed with federal funds. Award of a contract is subject to priorities and allocations under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, and all regulations issued thereunder.

Proposal for each contract must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the name and number of the contract plainly endorsed on the outside of the envelope. Each proposal must be accompanied by draft or certified check payable to the order of the "State of New York, Commissioner of Taxation and Finance" for the sum as specified in the advertisement and the proposal. The retention and disposal of the bidding check, the execution of the contract and bonds shall conform to the provisions of the Highway Laws, as set forth in "Information for Bidders".

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

JOHN W. JOHNSON
SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Bids: August 14, 1958

Notice to Bidders
Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority
Union & Middlesex Counties,
New Jersey

OUTFALL SEWER

Contract No. 5—Outfall Sewer—Section "B"

Sealed proposals for Contract No. 5 involving construction of Section "B" of the Outfall Sewer for the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority will be received at the meeting place of said Authority, the Westfield Municipal Building, Westfield, New Jersey, until eight o'clock P. M. (8:00 P. M.) Prevailing Time on Thursday, August 14, 1958, and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud. The proposals shall be in accordance with specifications, drawings, terms of the proposed contract, and form of bond on file with the Authority. Contract No. 5, Outfall Sewer, Section "B", involves the construction of approximately 13,500 feet of 66-inch outfall sewer, complete with all appurtenances.

No bids will be received unless made in writing on forms furnished, and unless accompanied by a certified check made payable to the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority for an amount not less than ten (10) per cent of the amount of the base bid. Bidders shall enclose as part of their sealed proposal a statement of commitment by a corporate surety company authorized to do business in New Jersey that such company will underwrite and issue to the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority a performance bond in statutory form in behalf of the contractor.

Bidders are notified that they will be required to furnish a standard form of questionnaire and financial statement containing a complete statement of the bidder's ability, financial standing and experience in performing work of the type contemplated, before such bidder can be furnished plans and specifications. The Authority, through its Engineers, may refuse to furnish such bidder whose statement is unsatisfactory, with plans and specifications.

The Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to accept that one which, in its judgment, best serves its interests.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the Authority sewage treatment plant, East Hazelwood Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey. They may be obtained at the Office of the Consulting Engineer, Elson T. Killam Associates, Inc., 48 Essex Street, Millburn, N. J. upon payment of $15 for each set. The deposit will be returned only to Contractors submitting bona fide proposals who return the plans and specifications in good condition within ten (10) days after opening of bids.

By Order of the Rahway Valley
Sewerage Authority
W. Edward Richards,
Secretary-Treasurer

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OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: July 17, 1958.

Erie Canal, Contract M58-8

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ALBANY, N. Y.—Pursuant to the provisions of the Canal Law and Highway Law, sealed proposals will be received, until 10:30 A.M. DST on July 17, 1958 by Henry A. Cohen, Director, Bureau of Contracts, 14th Floor, the Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, Albany, N. Y. for:

Contract M 58-8 for Cleaning and Painting Guard Gates over the Erie Canal in Herkimer and Oneida Counties, New York Engineer's Estimate for M 58-8 is $42,-000.00

Maps, plans and specifications may be examined and obtained at the following offices:

(a) Bureau of Contracts, 14th Floor, The Gov. Alfred E. Smith State Office Bldg., Albany, New York.
(b) Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.
(c) In addition to the above mentioned offices, plans, maps, and specifications for Contract M 58-8 may be examined and obtained at the office of Mr. Lacy Ketchum, District Engineer, 109 No. Genesee Street, Utica, New York.

The deposit for Plans and Proposal Forms for Contract M 58-8 is $10.00. A refund in full will be made to bidders for return of one set in good condition within 30 days of award or rejection of bids; refund for all other sets in good condition, similar period, will be 50% of deposit.

Proposals for M 58-8 must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the name and number of the contract plainly endorsed on the outside of the envelope. Each proposal must be accompanied by draft or certified check, payable to the order of the "State of New York, Commissioner of Taxation and Finance" in the amount of $2,-200.00. The retention and disposal of the bidding check, the execution of the contract and bonds shall conform to the provisions of the Canal Law and the Highway Law as set forth in "Instructions to Bidders in the contract specifications.

JOHN W. JOHNSON
SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Prequalification Date: July 18, 1958

Board of Education
Bureau of Construction

NOTICE RE: PREQUALIFICATION FORMS OF CONTRACTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Superintendent of School Buildings, Bureau of Construction, 4th Floor, Room 407, 42-15 Crescent Street, Long Island City 1, N. Y. will receive applications for prequalification from contractors who may wish to submit bids for the proposed hereinafter specified contracts as follows:

General Construction, Plumbing and Drainage, Heating and Ventilating, Electrical Work and Lighting Fixtures for the new Public School 180, Manhattan, West 119th Street and Morningside Avenue.

Prequalification application forms will have to be secured from and must be submitted to the Superintendent of School Buildings, Bureau of Construction, 4th Floor, Room 407, 42-15 Crescent Street, Long Island City 1, N. Y.

Bids when advertised, will be received from prequalified bidders only.

Time for submitting prequalification application by contractors will expire on Friday, July 18, 1958.

City Record—Tuesday, July 8, 1958

WILLIAM H. CORREALE
Superintendent of School Buildings,
Design and Construction
Dated: July 1, 1958

Bids: July 22, 1958

Power Authority of
the State of New York

NIAGARA POWER PROJECT
ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS
FOR
THE FURNISHING AND DELIVERY
OF
15 kv METALCLAD SWITCHGEAR AND APPURTENANCES
FOR NIAGARA SWITCHYARD
SPECIFICATIONS NO. PA-N-25022
NIAGARA CONTRACT NO. NP19

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: The POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK will receive sealed proposals for the furnishing and delivery thereof f.o.b. Niagara Switchyard Area, University Siding, Niagara Falls, New York, of 15 kv metalclad switchgear and appurtenances for the Niagara Power Project in Lewiston, Niagara County, New York, until 11:30 A.M. Eastern Daylight Saving Time on the 22nd day of July, 1958, at the Authority's Office, 18th Floor, The Coliseum Tower, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, New York, at which time and place proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids will be received for the 15 kv metalclad switchgear, associated equipment and services in accordance with the bidding schedule.

Delivery of the 15 kv metalclad switchgear and appurtenances will be required on or before November 1, 1959.

Plans, Specifications and Proposal Forms fo rthe work may be obtained from the Power Authority of the State of New York, 18th Floor, The Coliseum Tower, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, New York, upon application and prepayment of a fee of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per initial set of contract documents, and Five Dollars ($5.00) per set for additional sets, no part of which will be refunded. Plans, Specifications and Proposal Forms for the work will be on file in the Authority's Office and in the offices of the Engineer, Uhl, Hall & Rich, 230 Congress Street, Boston 10, Massachusetts, and may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours.

Bids must be made and returned in duplicate in accordance with instructions contained in the Information for Bidders. Guarantee will be required with each bid in an amount not less than 20 percent of the gross sum bid.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

W. S. CHAPIN
GENERAL MANAGER

Bids: September 9, 1958

Power Authority of
the State of New York

ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS
For Construction of Tuscarora Power Plant
in Lewiston
Niagara County, New York
Specifications No. PA-N-23007
Niagara Contract No. N10

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: The POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK will receive sealed proposals for the construction of the Tuscarora Power Plant located in Lewiston, Niagara County, New York on September 9, 1958 at 10:30 A.M., E.D.S.T., at the Authority's Office, 18th Floor, The Coliseum Tower, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, New York, at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The principal items of work are as follows:

2,715,000 cu. yds.	Excavation, unclassified
28,500 lin. ft.	Drill holes for exploration and grouting
583,800 cu. yds.	Concrete
35,000,000 lbs.	Reinforcing steel
1,283,000 lbs.	Miscellaneous metalwork
1,049,000 lbs.	Erection of structural steel
6,880,000 lbs.	Erection of gates, gate and stop log guides

The work shall be completed on or before December 31, 1962.

Plans, Specifications and Proposal Forms for the work may be obtained from the Power Authority of the State of New York, at The Coliseum Tower, 18th Floor, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, New York, upon application and prepayment of a fee of Fifty ($50.00) dollars per initial set of contract documents, and Twenty-Five ($25.00) dollars per set for additional sets, no part of which shall be refunded. Plans, Specifications and Proposal Forms for the work will be on file in the Authority's Office and in the offices of the Engineer, Uhl, Hall & Rich, 230 Congress Street, Boston 10, Massachusetts, and may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours.

Bids must be made and returned in duplicate in accordance with instructions contained in the Information for Bidders. Guarantee will be required with each bid in an amount not less than 20 percent of the gross sum price bid of any bid schedule.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

W. S. CHAPIN
GENERAL MANAGER

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: August 12, 1958.

Project U-26-1 (7) North Expressway State Road No. 26 (Villamil Street to Intersection No. 5 Section) Municipality of San Juan, Puerto Rico

COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS
ADVERTISEMENT
July 6, 1958

The Board of Awards of the Department of Public Works of Puerto Rico, 1507 Ponce de León Avenue, Santurce, Puerto Rico, will receive sealed proposals for the construction of Project U-26-1 (7) NORTH EXPRESSWAY State Road No. 26, Municipality of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Bidders shall submit their proposals at the office of the Board of Awards, 1507 Ponce de León Avenue, Santurce, Puerto Rico, until 2:00 P. M. (Puerto Rico time) on August 12, 1958, at which time and place said proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work to be performed is divided into two (2) parts.

Part I—Dry or Hydraulic Fill. Construction of an embankment with dry or hydraulic fill 0.695 Miles long and drainage structures.

Principal items for the dry fill are 134,725 cubic meters excavation of unsuitable material, and 328,970 cubic meters dry fill of which 128,000 CuM will be extra compacted.

Principal items for the hydraulic fill (Alternate for Dry Fill) are 387,900 cubic meters excavation of unsuitable material and 368,290 cubic meters of hydraulic fill.

Part II—Grading and drainage, approximate length 0.366 miles. Paving, 1.061 miles, of four lane divided expressway with frontage roads, including also the construction of an 18.00M reinforced concrete wharf, a 31.00M continuous reinforced concrete overpass and highway lighting.

Plans, specifications, instructions to bidders, and all necessary information may be obtained from the office of the Procurement and Contract Division, Department of Public Works, 1507 Ponce de León Avenue, Santurce, Puerto Rico, upon a deposit of EIGHTY ($80.00) DOLLARS in cash, money order or certified check payable to the Secretary of the Treasury of Puerto Rico until 96 hours prior to the opening of bids. The full amount of the deposit will be refunded to each depositor upon the return of the plans in good condition within twenty (20) days after the opening of bids.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a provisional bond in the amount set forth below in any of the forms indicated in the General Conditions.

Part I—Fifty thousand ($50,000.00) Dollars

Part II—Forty thousand ($40,000.00) Dollars

The Board of Awards reserves the right to accept any bid or to reject any or all bids and to award contract under the conditions found most favorable to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Roberto Sánchez Vilella
Secretary of Public Works

Bids: August 14, 1958

Notice to Bidders Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority Union & Middlesex Counties, New Jersey

OUTFALL SEWER

Contract No. 4—Outfall Sewer—Section "A" Sealed proposals for Contract No. 4 involving construction of Section "A" of the Outfall Sewer for the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority will be received at the meeting place of said Authority, the Westfield Municipal Building, Westfield, New Jersey, until eight o'clock P.M. (8:00 P.M.) Prevailing Time on Thursday, August 14, 1958, and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud. The proposals shall be in accordance with specifications, drawings, terms of the proposed contract, and form of bond on file with the Authority.

Contract No. 4, Outfall Sewer, Section "A", involves the construction of approximately 2700 feet of 66-inch outfall sewer, complete with all appurtenances.

No bids will be received unless made in writing on forms furnished, and unless accompanied by a certified check made payable to the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority for an amount not less than ten (10) per cent of the amount of the base bid. Bidders shall enclose as part of their sealed proposal a statement of commitment by a corporate surety company authorized to do business in New Jersey that such company will underwrite and issue to the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority a performance bond in statutory form in behalf of the contractor.

Bidders are notified that they will be required to furnish a standard form of questionnaire and financial statement containing a complete statement of the bidder's ability, financial standing and experience in performing work of the type contemplated, before such bidder can be furnished plans and specifications. The Authority, through its Engineers, may refuse to furnish such bidder whose statement is unsatisfactory, with plans and specifications. A minimum period of two weeks should be allowed for review and approval of qualification before plans are issued.

The Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to accept that one which, in its judgment, best serves its interests.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the Authority sewage treatment plant, East Hazelwood Ave., Rahway, N. J. They may be obtained at the Office of the Consulting Engineer, Elson T. Killam Associates, Inc., 48 Essex St., Millburn, N. J., upon payment of $15.00 for each set. The deposit will be returned only to Contractors submitting bona fide proposals who return the plans and specifications in good condition within (10) days after the opening of bids.

By Order of the Rahway Valley
Sewerage Authority
W. Edward Richards, Secretary-Treasurer

Bids: August 15, 1958

Request for Bids For Construction of Railroad Bridge

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of Wm. J. Hedley, Chief Engineer, Wabash Railroad Company, Railway Exchange Building, St. Louis 1, Missouri, until 12 Noon (C.S.T.) on the 5th day of August, 1958, for constructing the substructure and superstructure of a double track railroad bridge, 520 feet long, over the Calumet Sag Channel near Palos Park, Illinois. Plans, specifications and other information concerning this project can be obtained from the office of the Chief Engineer, Wabash Railroad Company, 1402 Railway Exchange Building, St. Louis 1, Missouri, upon payment of $10.00 per set.

Bids: August 7, 1958

Project F-2-4 (6) Aguadilla By Pass Municipality of Aguadilla, P. R.

COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS
ADVERTISEMENT
July 6, 1958

The Board of Awards of the Department of Public Works of Puerto Rico, 1507 Ponce de León Avenue, Santurce, Puerto Rico, will receive sealed proposals for the construction of 6.027 Kms. of Project F-2-4 (6) AGUADILLA BY PASS State Road No. 2, Municipality of Aguadilla, Puerto Rico.

Bidders shall submit their proposals at the office of the Board of Awards, 1507 Ponce de León Avenue, Santurce, Puerto Rico until 2:00 P. M. (Puerto Rico time) on August 7, 1958 at which time and place said proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Principal items are 872,800 CuM unclassified excavation; 172,800 CuM selected borrow material; 35,100 CuM caliche base course; 65,000 SqM concrete pavement and 7,900 Tons dense graded hot plant mix, Class F, Type F-1, and two continuous reinforced concrete overpasses, over all length 0.050 miles.

Plans, specifications, instructions to bidders, and all necessary information may be obtained from the office of the Procurement and Contract Division, Department of Public Works, 1507 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Santurce, Puerto Rico upon a deposit of ONE HUNDRED ($100.00) DOLLARS in cash, money order or certified check payable to the Secretary of the Treasury of Puerto Rico until 96 hours prior to the opening of bids. The full amount of the deposit will be refunded to each depositor upon the return of the plans in good condition within (20) days after the opening of the bids.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a provisional bond in the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSANDS ($150,000.00) DOLLARS in any of the terms indicated in the General Conditions.

The Board of Awards reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to award contract under the conditions found most favorable to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Roberto Sanchez Vilella
Secretary of Public Works

Bids: July 22, 1958.

Power Authority of the State of New York

NIAGARA POWER PROJECT
ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS
FOR
THE FURNISHING AND DELIVERY
OF
115 kv AND 230 kv
POWER CIRCUIT BREAKERS
FOR
NIAGARA SWITCHYARD
SPECIFICATIONS NO. PA-N-25016
NIAGARA CONTRACT NO. NP20

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: The POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK will receive sealed proposals for the furnishing and delivery thereof f.o.b. Niagara Switchyard Area, University Siding, Niagara Falls, New York, of 115 kv and 230 kv power circuit breakers for the Niagara Switchyard in Lewiston, Niagara County, New York until 10:30 A.M. Eastern Daylight Saving Time on the 22nd day of July 1958, at the Authority's Office, 18th floor, The Coliseum Tower, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, New York, at which time and place proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bids will be received for 58, 34, or 24, power circuit breakers and associated equipment in accordance with the bidding schedules.

Delivery of the power circuit breakers will be required beginning on or before August 1, 1959.

Plans, Specifications, and Proposal Forms for the work, may be obtained from the Power Authority of the State of New York, 18th Floor, The Coliseum Tower, 10 Columbus Circle, New York 19, New York, upon application and prepayment of a fee of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per initial set of contract documents, and Five Dollars ($5.00) per set for additional sets, no part of which will be refunded. Plans, Specifications, and Proposals Forms for the work will be on file in the Authority's Office and in the offices of the Engineer, Uhl, Hall & Rich, 230 Congress Street, Boston 10, Massachusetts, and may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours.

Bids must be made and returned in duplicate in accordance with instructions contained in the Information for Bidders. Guarantee will be required with each bid in an amount not less than 20 per cent of the maximum price bid for any bid schedule.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

W. S. CHAPIN
GENERAL MANAGER

U. S. Government

Department of Commerce, Civil Aeronautics Administration. Sealed bids (Invitation No. 9-3034-B1) will be received at Washington, D. C., until 2:00 P. M., July 15, 1958, for clearing, grubbing and demolition in preparation for development of the Washington International Airport in Fairfax and Loudoun Counties, Virginia: approximately 3,900 acres to be fully cleared, including approximately 1,275 wooded acres, within 90 days after Notice to Proceed; partial clearance of approximately 4,300 acres within 150 days after Notice to Proceed; includes removal of approximately 550 buildings, including dwellings, barns, silos, all fences and other types of structures, installations and improvements. For particulars, address Procurement Division, W-160, Civil Aeronautics Administration, T-5 Building, Room 2615, Washington 25, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-5076) will be received at Helena, Montana until August 5, 1958, for furnishing labor and materials for earthwork and structures for completion of Spokane Bench Laterals, Montana, Missouri River Basin Project. Location near Helena, Montana. Principal items are 82,300 cu. yds. excavation; 585 cu. yds. concrete; furnishing and laying 3,755 feet of 18" to 36" standard strength concrete culvert pipe; and other work. Completion time 220 and 450 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 2553, Billings, Montana; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 2, Colorado. W. A. Dexheimer, Commissioner.

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: July 17, 1958

New York State Contract M58-11

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ALBANY, N. Y.—Pursuant to the provisions of the Canal Law and Highway Law, sealed proposals will be received, until 10:30 A.M. DST on July 17, 1958 by Henry A. Cohen, Director, Bureau of Contracts, 14th Floor, the Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, Albany, N. Y. for:

Contract M 58-11 for Cleaning and Painting Three Canal Bridges in Monroe County and the Modina Guard Gate, Orleans County, N. Y.
Engineer's Estimate for M 58-11 is $12,-300.00.

Maps, plans and specifications may be examined and obtained at the following offices:

(a) Bureau of Contracts, 14th Floor, The Gov. Alfred E. Smith State Office Bldg., Albany, New York.
(b) Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.
(c) In addition to the above mentioned offices, plans, maps and specifications for Contract M 58-11 may be examined and obtained at the office of Mr. B. F. Perry, District Engineer, Barge Canal Terminal, Rochester, New York.

The deposit for Plans and Proposal Forms for Contract M 58-11 is $10.00. A refund in full will be made to bidders for return of one set in good condition within 30 days of award or rejection of bids; refund for all other sets in good condition, similar period, will be 50% of deposit.

Proposals for M 58-11 must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the name and number of the contract plainly endorsed on the outside of the envelope. Each proposal must be accompanied by draft or certified check, payable to the order of the "State of New York, Commissioner of Tax ation and Finance" in the amount of $700.00. The retention and disposal of the bidding check, the execution of the contract and bonds shall conform to the provisions of the Canal Law and the Highway Law as set forth in "Instructions to Bidders" in the contract specifications.

JOHN W. JOHNSON
SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Bids: July 16, 1958

Interceptor Sewer Construction

June 19, 1958

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Contract and Supply at its offices, Municipal Bldg., Binghamton, New York, until 10:30 A.M. Wednesday, July 16, 1958 (EDST) for:

Interceptor Sewer Construction, Contract 11A.

The Contract documents, drawings and specifications may be examined in the office of the City Engineer, City Hall, Binghamton, N. Y. Copies thereof may be obtained from the Dept. of Purchase, 3rd Floor, City Hall, upon payment of a $35.00 deposit. Checks may be made payable to John E. Bloomer, Comptroller. Upon the return of said documents in good condition, within thirty days following the award of this contract, the full $35.00 deposit will be refunded to bidders and $25.00 of the deposit will be refunded to each non bidder.

These proposals must be sealed and marked on the outside to indicate the contents and each shall be accompanied by a Certified Check, bid bond, or New York Draft to the order of John E. Bloomer, Comptroller, or cash in the sum of five per cent (5%) of the total amount of the proposal, which amount will be held by the City without interest as a guarantee that the party or parties whose bid is accepted will enter into a contract and furnish a bond with surety satisfactory to the Mayor in the sum of fifty per cent (50%) of the amount of the contract. This bond must be bought from a local agent.

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This long-sought addition to the federal multipurpose concept appears to have been accomplished without upsetting the traditional role of local initiative in the water supply field. Municipal and industrial customers must vouch their willingness to pay full value for the federally impounded water; they are free to go elsewhere if they can develop alternate sources more cheaply.

Perhaps it was the lack of such repayment mechanism and safeguards that caused Congress to balk at a companion measure in the original rivers bill that would have allowed the Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation to consider low flow augmentation in streams in project design. Once again it appears pollution control has suffered because its benefits cannot readily be expressed in dollars and cents.

It is to be hoped that the good job Congress did in aiding water supply development this year can be duplicated soon in the equally critical area of pollution abatement.

Are Streams Getting Cleaner?

MUNICIPAL SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT CONSTRUCTION did extraordinarily well between 1953 and 1957, as shown in the 1957 Inventory of Facilities soon to be published by the U. S. Public Health Service (p. 41). However, although the rate of increase in population served by treatment was 4½ times what it was in the previous four-year period, figures indicate that the total pollution load dumped into the nation's streams by municipalities actually increased in the period 1953-57.

Obvious questions present themselves: Are we really losing the clean streams battle in spite of the high building rate of recent years? Just what needs to be done to change the status quo in total pollution load?

U. S. cities appear to be winning their part of the anti-pollution fight. The biggest source of pollution—raw sewage discharge—actually decreased between 1945 and 1957, in spite of a huge jump in the total sewered population. The sewage works category registering the largest increase in pollution discharged is primary plants. But recent analyses (ENR Oct. 17, 1957, p. 316) indicate that the cost of converting a primary facility to complete treatment amounts to only about 40% of the primary plant's cost, while the converted plant removes over 100% more of the pollution load. Moreover, the inventory figures indicate that the big increase in secondary plant construction has stemmed in part from conversion of primary facilities.

It is not unreasonable to conclude that if the rate of spending is at least kept at the current $600 million a year level an increasing sum will be used to build secondary treatment plants. This should result, we believe, in reducing the over-all amount of pollution reaching the nation's streams.

In view of this conclusion, it is difficult to become overly enthusiastic about current proposals before Congress to double the present $50 million a year federal construction grants program for municipal sewerage facilities. The existing program is working, and working well. To double it would be to introduce a host of factors that could easily upset the applecart. To kill it, as President Eisenhower proposes, would make even less sense, for surely loss of federal aid would depress the present healthy construction volume in the sewage works category.

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An ENR survey made last year of contractors doing more than 20% of all the highway work in the country showed clearly the deleterious effect of excessive retainages on both contractors and contracting agencies (ENR Oct. 17, 1957, p. 293). Contractors have difficulty enough financing their operations. They work on a slim profit margin (less than 2% according to Dun & Bradstreet); they pay dearly for money; and they often have to pass up bidding jobs because of temporarily being short of cash.

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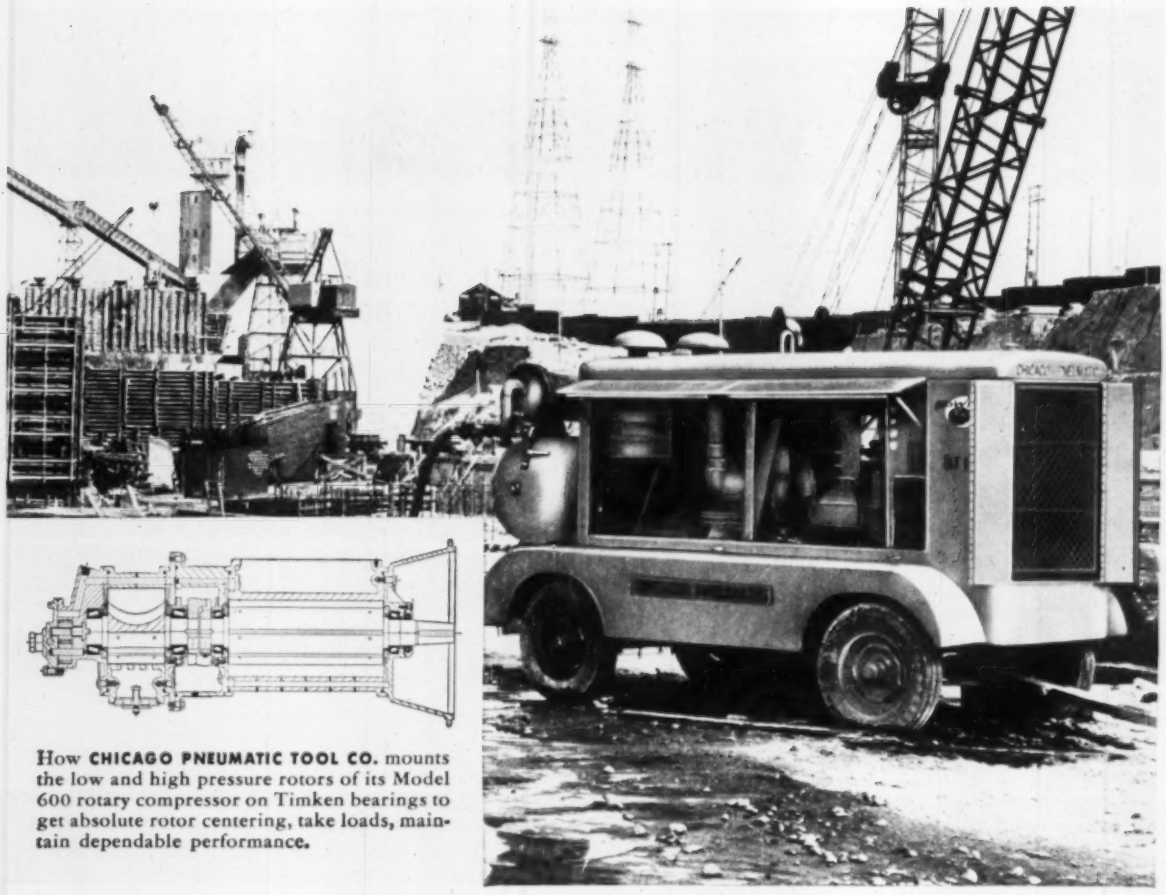

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